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Haig meets U.K. leaders

Argentine warships avoid blockade zone

LONDON, April 12 (R) — British submarines blocking the Falkland Islands reported no encounters with Argentine warships Monday as U.S. peacemaker Alexander Haig met government leaders in a second round of shuttle diplomacy.

Haig, the U.S. Secretary of State, returned from Argentina saying he brought some specific ideas to discuss with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and her senior ministers on a diplomatic solution to the crisis.

Eight hours after the blockade was imposed at 0400 GMT, the defense ministry said there has been no sign of any Argentine naval vessels inside the 200-mile "war zone" declared around the disputed islands seized by Argentina.

The ministry said Sunday that all but two of Argentina's warships had been pulled back to ports on the mainland.

On Monday, a defense spokesman said the two ships — a destroyer and a frigate — were still at sea but refused to say where. The spokesman said in a statement that after the imposition of the blockade no naval incident has been reported, nor have there been any reports of Argentine warships or naval auxiliary vessels within the zone since it was established.

Defense Minister John Nott had told Argentina that British submarines would attack without warning any Argentine warships in the zone. However, the British government was clearly hoping it would not have to do this as torpedoing an Argentine ship would almost certainly have sunk Haig's peace mission as well.

The defense ministry refuses to say how many submarines are in the area, but there are widely believed to be at least two.

Thatcher to call House session

LONDON, April 12 (AP) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher announced Monday that the House of Commons will be recalled from recess on Wednesday when she will brief parliament on U.S. Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig's peacemaking efforts over the Falkland Islands dispute.

In South Atlantic

Deadliest arms lined up

LONDON, April 12 (R) — Some of the world's most devastating conventional weapons are being lined up in the South Atlantic for a possible showdown between Britain and Argentina over the Falkland Islands.

As Britain's naval blockade of the archipelago began at 0400 GMT, several British submarines — at least two of them nuclear-powered — were understood to be cruising in the area.

Their tigerfish torpedoes, which can break a ship's back and sink it in minutes, could be used if Britain carries out its threat to sink on sight any Argentine warships within 200 miles of the islands.

The Hunter-killer submarines, whose presence has not been denied by the British government, are among the most advanced in the world. The British Navy says they are almost undetectable and their advanced sonar system can pinpoint any enemy ship up to 40 miles away.

Behind them, Britain's main 27-ship battle fleet continues its 7,000-mile voyage from England to the Falklands, for what could be the biggest naval engagement since World War II.

Argentina, the world's eighth largest country with arguably greater dire power than any other Latin American state, will be no mean opponent.

The London-based Institute of Strategic Studies says the Argentine navy's main strength lies in two modern, British-built destroyers and three new, French-built Corvettes.

It also has an aircraft carrier bought from the British Navy, four submarines, nine older destroyers and a 43-year-old cruiser built in

nuclear-powered subs armed with conventional weapons. Official sources are giving no hint what ideas Haig brought with him when he flew in at dawn Monday from Buenos Aires after 10 hours of talks with Argentina's military leadership.

On arrival, Haig said only that they were developed on the basis of the United Nations Security Council resolution 502, which calls for Argentine withdrawal from the Falklands and a negotiated settlement.

British officials said Mrs. Thatcher still insisted that Argentine forces must be withdrawn before there could be any negotiations over the future of the islands which have been ruled by Britain since 1833 and claimed by Argentina.

Haig had said after his first round of talks with Mrs. Thatcher in London last week that he was "very impressed" by the British government's firm determination. At the meeting Mrs. Thatcher insisted on a withdrawal of Argentine forces before negotiating. Mrs. Thatcher and Pym will find it more difficult this time to insist on a prior Argentine evacuation, observers said.

The Argentines do not want to back down without receiving something in exchange and have shown Haig they are as determined as Mrs. Thatcher's government and have massive public support, especially after a 100,000-strong demonstration in May Square in Buenos Aires during his visit Saturday.

English officials were unwilling to speculate publicly on the prospects of a negotiated solution. They said they had no knowledge of an Argentine proposal, reported by the American television channel ABC, to withdraw Argentine forces if Britain ordered its South Atlantic task force to turn back.

According to the ABC report, Argentine sovereignty was not negotiable but Falklanders would be free to choose their form of government.

The British have left some options open,



SHOOTING : A view of the Dome of the Rock Mosque in the holy city of Jerusalem. Arab crowds are shown gathering outside the mosque after an Israeli soldier fired point-blank into a body of worshippers killing several and wounding scores of others.

Israeli assurances fail to convince Palestinians

BEIRUT, April 12 (Agencies) — A Palestinian official Monday brushed aside assurances that Israel would not attack South Lebanon and said a strike was "expected at any moment."

"Our fighters are on full alert and prepared. We are expecting an attack at any moment," a Palestine Liberation Organization official, who declined to be named, told the Associated Press. Lebanese state television Monday said the situation was still "dangerous."

U.S. Ambassador to Israel, Samuel Lewis, who met with Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin after the Israeli cabinet held a six-hour session Sunday, announced he had received Begin's assurances Israel had not decided to attack Palestinian position in South Lebanon.

Meanwhile, President Ronald Reagan is dispatching Under Secretary of State Walter Stossel, to the Middle East this week in an effort to defuse tension in the region, Deputy White House Press Secretary Larry Speakes said Monday in Washington. "The situation still remains tense in the Middle East," Speakes said. "Once again, we are in relatively continuous contact with governments in the area to urge them to use the maximum restraint."

The carriers have more than 30 Sea King anti-submarine helicopters, one of which is flown by Queen Elizabeth's second son, Prince Andrew. The Sea Kings also ferry troops and supplies.

Other vessels in the task force include one assault ship, two light cruisers, destroyers, frigates, oil tankers and supply ships. All the warships carry anti-ship and anti-aircraft missiles.

The task force, which is expected to take more than two weeks to reach the Falklands, also has five 3,270-ton landing vessels with it.

A large but unspecified number of marines left in the first wave of the task force last Monday. A further 2,000 marines left Britain on Friday on board the requisitioned cruise ship *Canberra*.

Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat has said Sunday he expected Israel to strike at Palestinian commando positions in South Lebanon and the commandos and their Lebanese nationalist allies in South Lebanon have been put on full alert. Arafat has, however, given no indication the PLO would shatter an eight-month-old ceasefire negotiated jointly by the United States and the United Nations.

Palestinian officials have expressed fears

Israel may use the assassination of one of its diplomats in Paris last week as a pretext to launch the widely-predicted attack although the PLO denied any responsibility in the fatal shooting of Israeli second secretary Yaakov Barsimontov in Paris.

Meanwhile, the Israeli Premier Menahem Begin said today Israel was showing "restraint at the request of the United States" in refraining from attacking Palestinian positions in South Lebanon. This was "to allow Washington to try to calm the situation in the region," Begin said, according to Israeli radio.

The radio quoted him as informing a delegation from the U.S. Senate Armed Forces Committee that Israel "will take all necessary measures to protect its citizens."

Egypt-PLO ties possible

Israel may halt Sinai pullout

TEL AVIV, April 12 (AFP) — Israeli Vice Prime Minister David Levy Monday said Israel was ready to "stop" its planned April 23 withdrawal from the Sinai if Egypt failed to respect the Camp David agreement in both spirit and letter.

With only two weeks to go, this was the first time a minister close to Prime Minister Menahem Begin had spoken against the withdrawal, Israel previously insisting it would meet the deadline, observers said. "If the final withdrawal from the Sinai has to be stopped because of Egypt's persistence in not respecting the (Camp David) peace treaty in spirit and letter, then let it be stopped," he told a congress of young militants from Prime Minister Menahem Begin's Herut Party, Israeli radio reported.

"This is the position of the government and the government does not intend to go back on its demands," he added, according to the radio. "The government demands that Egypt cancel all measures (it has taken) against the terms of the peace (treaty) and the government is certain Cairo will respond positively to Israeli demands," Levy said.

Meanwhile, Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir Monday told U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Nicholas Velotes, who arrived here after talks in Cairo, that he was

"extremely concerned by the tightening links between Egypt and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)."

Shamir said he was particularly disturbed

by the Egyptian peace plan, put before the nonaligned nations meeting in Kuwait last week, which advocated the establishment of a

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GCC technology center to be probed

Joint Gulf stock exchange urged

DAMMAM, April 12 (SPA) — Commerce ministries in Arab Gulf states have been urged to study the establishment of a Gulf stock exchange. The recommendation came from the Arab Gulf Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture.

In a study prepared by the Secretariat general and announced here Monday, the

secretariat proposed a number of solutions to eliminate the negative effects of such firms.

Among the proposals is a recommendation to commerce ministries to tighten control and supervision methods on the establishment of participant companies in the stock markets; protect founders and subscribers; coordinate

Other recommendations called on officials of the commerce ministries to attend general assembly meetings of participant companies, review their annual budgetary reports and accounts. Also, the officials were urged to strive for realizing a joint Gulf financial and technical cooperation through the involvement of Arab investors in the participating companies.

In other regional developments, technology and research center directors of member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council begin meetings in Riyadh Tuesday. The directors, representing the six member states, will discuss the possibility of establishing a joint Gulf technology center during their two-day session.

The center will be entrusted with coordinating applied research activities in the GCC states. The Kingdom and Kuwait have submitted relative working papers which will be discussed during the meeting.

The directors come into session upon the recommendations of GCC industry ministers issued during a meeting in October, 1981, in Riyadh. Also, the joint economic accord signed by GCC countries lately calls for initiating joint technical cooperation, encouraging research, applied research and technology, in addition to shaping imported technology according to the region's needs.

The accord also provides for cooperation in the transfer of technology, selecting the appropriate ones or assessing them to meet the region's demands. A provision of the accord recommends concluding agreements to materialize these objectives.

SR115m school works under way

DAMMAM, April 12 (SPA) — The Directorate of Girls' Education of the Eastern Province is at present implementing a number of educational projects at an overall cost of SR115 million.

Nasser Al-Mussained, director of girls' education, Monday stated that the projects include the construction of 18 schools of 20 classrooms each, in Dammam, Safwa, Abqaiq, Syhat, Khafji, Qatif, Thogha and Ank. The projects will be ready to admit students with the beginning of the next academic year, he added.

Reports on security accord denied

RIYADH, April 12 — Interior Minister Prince Naif denied Kuwaiti press reports that a mutual security pact between the Kingdom and Kuwait will be signed soon. He said Kuwait had refused to sign an agreement similar in text to those signed by the Kingdom with each of Qatar, Bahrain, Oman and the UAE.

Speaking to *Al-Riyad* newspaper

chamber recommended that Gulf states study the necessary steps for creating a legal market for exchange of shares, bonds and other financial papers.

The study was conducted on the negative effects of some Gulf speculative firms and the duplication of their purposes. The study, conducted by the economic department of

Mnunday, Prince Naif said he had no information about a reported statement by the Kuwaiti Interior Minister Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad that the agreement will be signed after finalizing certain clauses.

"What I know is that our brothers in Kuwait have not agreed to the text of the agreement which had been signed by the four other countries," Prince Naif said.

and unify the statute of such companies; and devise the necessary conditions to prevent these companies from concentrating on speculations neglecting their main productive activities.

The chamber also proposed that economic penalties be imposed on those who contravene the statute of participant companies.

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China refutes link to South Atlantic pact

JEDDAH, April 12 (CNA) — Ambassador Yu-chi Hsueh of the Republic of China Monday rejected as completely false and untrue and "beneath comment" a report from Johannesburg linking his country, South Africa, Israel and some South American countries in an alleged "South Atlantic Pact."

Asked to comment on the report, Hsueh said it was the same old tired ghost story retold many times by the Communist and Zionist inspired press whose racket was to damage the friendly relations between the Republic of China and Arab countries. (South African denial p.9)

Nazer to visit Sanaa

RIYADH, April 12 (SPA) — Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer will leave for Sanaa Saturday on a one-day visit to discuss the second development plan of North Yemen and the prospects of benefiting from Saudi Arabian expertise.

Hadeed concludes \$50m contract for iron ore supply

JUBAIL, April 12 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Iron and Steel Company (Hadeed) signed Monday a \$50 million contract with a Swedish government-owned company for the supply of raw iron ore. Under the contract, the Swedish company will supply one million tons of excellent-quality iron ore pellets during a period of five years.

On behalf of Hadeed, the contract was signed by Dr. Ali Abdul Rahman Al-Khalaf, the company's board chairman, here Monday. The iron pellets will be shipped direct from Sweden to Jubail industrial port.

The quantity to be ensured under this contract, added to supplies of raw iron ore from other sources, and the local produce, form the basic sources of raw iron for Hadeed. The company will produce 800,000 tons of concrete reinforcement bars to meet the demand of the domestic market once the plant comes into operation and commercial production by the beginning of 1983.

The first shipment under the Swedish contract, expected to reach Jubail in August of this year, will be tested and analyzed upon arrival.

Hadeed, a joint venture between the Saudi

Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) and Korf Stahl of West Germany, signed a similar agreement with a Brazilian company in June of 1981. The contract, valued at \$50 million, was awarded to Companhia Vale do Rio Doce. Hadeed's iron and steel complex consists of two midrex direct reduction units, a steel plant with continuous casting facilities and rod and bar rolling units.

The company, established with an investment of SR3 billion, will be the largest steel-making complex on the Arabian Peninsula. Hadeed has concluded SR25 million contracts last year for the training of its Saudi Arabian employees. The trainees, high and intermediate school graduates, are receiving skills on operation, maintenance and administration of the iron and steel complex. The contracts provide 16 months of advanced basic and on-the-job training in West Germany, the United States, Britain, Austria and Switzerland.

SABIC has a procedural program for the full Saudization of workers and personnel at its industrial plants. Hadeed had dispatched 175 nationals for training abroad by last year, including 25 university graduates.

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Yamani blasts Zionist crime against Muslims

RIYADH, April 12 (SPA) — Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani has condemned the Zionist criminal assault perpetrated on the Aqsa Mosque Sunday. He described the act which killed and injured a large number of Muslims as "very serious".

The Zionist enemy had earlier attempted to burn the holy mosque in 1969 without showing any regard for the sentiments of Muslims of the world.

Yamani said in a statement that the incident, which took place following the big upheaval in the occupied West Bank and Gaza against the Zionist perpetrations, demonstrates a new evidence of the occupation authorities' continuous desecration of the Islamic holy places, violation of human rights and an attempt to Judaize the holy places in total contravention of all resolutions issued by the United Nations in this regard.

He reiterated that these serious violations and continuous repressive acts against the Arabs in the occupied territory will make Palestinians and the peoples of the Islamic world more determined to salvage the holy shrines from the Zionist enemy's bold.

The minister warned that firing on Muslims in the Aqsa Mosque a day after the attempt to blow up the mosque with a huge amount of dynamite, which was defused at the appropriate time, should not be considered the last incident in the chain of Zionist crimes against the Islamic holy places. He urged Muslims to strive to expose "Israel's real face" before the world and to continue efforts to liberate the holy places which have been subjected to sacrifice by the Zionists.

Yamani appealed to the world and all conscientious people to stand resolutely against the inhuman acts of the Zionist enemy. He said time has come for those who

did not care for the Palestinian voice to realize that every word of the people of Palestine is a reality while the Zionist claims are all fabrications and concoctions. He called upon the peoples of the world to go farther from mere denunciation to strive seriously to rid the Palestinians of Zionist despotism even when they are in prayers.

Meanwhile, a Muslim World League statement accused the Israeli enemy of laying explosives in the mosques and inciting their shameless people for an armed attack on those praying in the mosque. The act led to the killing of many by the enemy bullets. The statement said it is not any new thing for a misled gang which is set on treason and treachery...

The MWL appealed to the Muslims of the world to raise their voice to condemn the crime. It also urged the world public opinion to adopt a deterrent measure against the acts of this gang, and called upon the world governments and international organizations to support the Arab and Islamic nation in its struggle against the Zionists.

The statement reiterated that it fully supports the freedom-fighters who are defending the first Qiblah of the Muslims and their Third Holy Haram. It also reaffirmed that the usurped rights can be regained only through a holy war.

In another development, Makkah Governor Prince Majeed received head of the

TOKYO, April 12 (R) — Japan's Finance Minister Mic Watanabe said Monday he will visit Saudi Arabia after attending a general meeting of the Asian Development Bank to be held in Manila April 28.

Watanabe told reporters he will hold talks with his Saudi Arabian counterpart Sheikh Muhammad Abu Al-Khalil and Abdul Aziz Al-Quraishi, governor of the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA). He also said he expected to meet King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd during his stay in Saudi Arabia from April 30 to May 4.

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Petrochemicals exhibition to open

JEDDAH, April 12 (SPA) — Petromin Governor Dr. Abdul Hadi Tahir will open Sunday the first Saudi exhibition of petroleum, petrochemicals and energy in Al-Khor.

The five-day exhibition is organized by Tibama and more than 15 organizations from 13 countries are expected to take part in it.

On the day following the opening, a series of seminars will begin on oil, petrochemicals and energy industry. The first seminar, which will be attended by Dr. Tahir, will be devoted to a discussion on the Kingdom's oil policy.

Other seminars, to be attended by international experts, will deal with energy

and petrochemicals subjects, including coordination of industrial projects in the Gulf region, study of special conditions related to major joint projects, the need for supplementary industries and the financing of multinational main projects.

The seminars also will discuss the strategies of transportation and marketing of refined petroleum products, the opportunities of auxiliary industries and assistance to economic sectors.

Invitations have been sent to a number of representatives from world oil companies such as Shell, British Petroleum, Brazilian National Oil Company, General Electric, Mobil Saudi Arabia, Arab Oil Investment Company and Aramco.

Japanese minister to visit Kingdom

TOKYO, April 12 (R) — Japan's Finance Minister Mic Watanabe said Monday he will visit Saudi Arabia after attending a general meeting of the Asian Development Bank to be held in Manila April 28.

The Japanese delegation also visited the Jeddah Hospital where it was briefed on its achievements and different sections. The delegation held a meeting with Dr. Abbas Hamza Marzouqi, director general of health affairs of the Western Region; Dr. Abdulla Baslamah, head of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at the university hospital, and Dr. Osama Shobokshi, hospital director, to discuss the construction of a cancer hospital in Jeddah. The Japanese ambassador to the Kingdom also was present.

AHSA, (SPA) — The commercial fraud control authority destroyed a large quantity of soft drinks, canned vegetables and other foodstuffs for being unfit for human consumption. Abdul Aziz Muhammad Al-Dubian, director of the local office of Commerce Ministry, stated here Monday.

SR165m sports deal signed

RIYADH, April 12 (SPA) — A SR165 million contract was awarded Monday to a specialist firm for building a sports complex for Shabab club in Riyadh. The contract was signed by Youth Welfare President Prince Faisal ibn Fahd.

The complex comprises a stadium with 1,000 seats, liable to increase, a track, an indoor games hall, outdoor courts for basketball, volleyball, handball, swimming pools, a cultural activities hall, a mosque, and an administrative building with basic facilities.

Prince Faisal expressed satisfaction with the progress of the program for constructing

sports complexes which, he said, will have a favorable impact on the future of sports and youth in the country. He handed over designs and documents of the future complex to Shabab Club Chairman Prince Khaled ibn Saad ibn Fahd.

The state's policy toward sports clubs is a great incentive. Sporting clubs receive annual financial assistance from the government, in addition to sports complexes which are built entirely by the state for each club. The program for sports complexes began during the Third Five-Year Development Plan.

BRIEFS

MAKKAH, (SPA) — The local Saudi Telephone department is carrying out a comprehensive survey of the rural areas under Qunfuzah and Laith, to make preparations for extending telephone services to those areas. Khassan Mattar, director of public affairs at the Saudi telephone here, said Monday that 700 telephone lines are at present functioning in Qunfuzah through the microwave station, while Laith has 530 lines on the Hitachi exchange which has a capacity of 100 lines.

DAMMAM, (SPA) — The department of endowments and mosques of the Eastern Province will soon undertake the implementation of several mosques at an overall cost of SR426,364.

JEDDAH, (SPA) — Six Filipinos and Koreans, including two women, embraced Islam before Sheikh Abdul Aziz Issa, president of the Sharia High Court, here Monday.

Prayer Times

Tuesday	Makkah	Madinah	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tabuk
Fajr (Dawn)	4:39	4:37	4:08	3:54	4:18	4:46
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:21	12:22	11:54	11:40	12:05	12:34
Asr (Afternoon)	3:46	3:51	3:22	3:11	3:36	4:07
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:40	6:44	6:15	6:03	6:28	6:59
Isha (Night)	8:10	8:14	7:45	7:33	7:58	8:29

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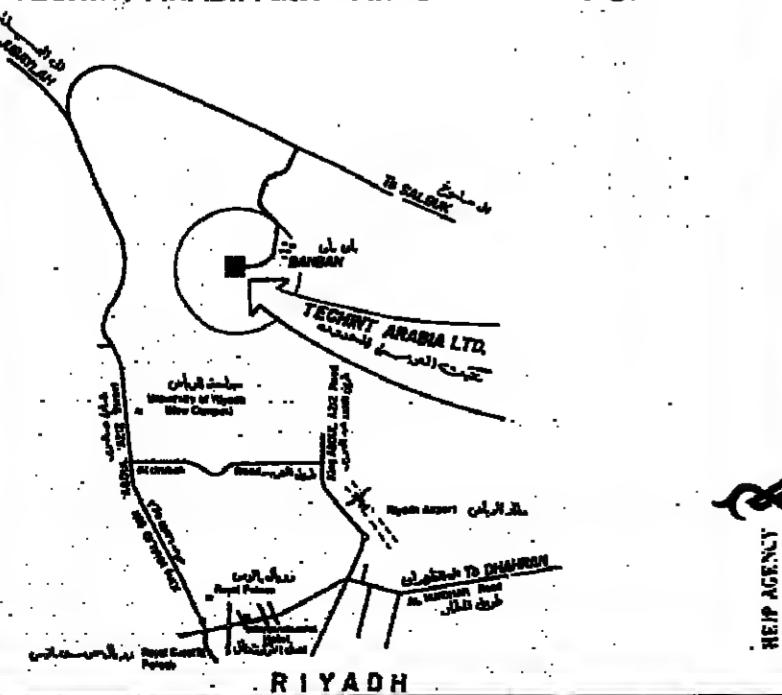
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TEL AVIV, April 12 (AP) — U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis began talks here with Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin Monday to try to resolve some last-minute problems between Israel and Egypt before Israel completes its evacuation of Sinai in two weeks.

Israeli officials said they were concerned over growing Egyptian ties with the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) and Egypt's position on the occupied West Bank. "Now

Mothers kill kids, commit suicide

ISLAMABAD, April 12 (AFP) — Two sisters threw six of their children from a bridge in the Punjab and followed them to their deaths Sunday to escape beatings by their busbands.

The two sisters, Nasim and Soghra Ahmad aged 28 and 30 respectively, had been beaten up by their busbands and fled with their nine children in a bus, witnesses said. When they reached a bridge over the Bari Doab Canal near Shahiwal, they pushed six children into the water: Safdar and Guzdar aged five, Ifran, four, Shan, three, Shahid, two, and Imran aged seven months.

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Syria abandons Arab honor, says Iraqi leader

BEIRUT, April 12 (R) — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has attacked Syria for having "abandoned the most elementary values of Arab honor."

Syria closed the border with Iraq Thursday, alleging that the Baghdad government sent saboteurs and weapons into Syrian territory. Syria halted the flow of Iraqi oil through Syrian territory Sunday to Mediterranean terminals.

In a speech to the National Assembly Sunday (parliament), quoted by the Iraqi News Agency (INA), President Hussein said "the regime of (President) Hafez Al-Assad has betrayed the national and Pan-Arab cause and betrayed Iraq by closing the border and shutting off the oil pipeline." He said Syria had put all its resources behind Iran and was trying to smash Iraq.

The Israelis also see a possible turn by Egypt away from the Camp David plan for Palestinian autonomy in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, the officials said. The impression was reinforced by Egypt's position at the nonaligned conference in Kuwait last week, they said. Egyptian delegate Ismet Abdul Meguid stressed self-determination and independence for the Palestinians without mentioning Camp David or autonomy.

The *Haaretz* newspaper published a series of complaints Israel has raised about Egypt's armed deployment in Sinai. It said Israel preferred to clear up the problems now before the all-U.S. Sinai Field Mission, which has been monitoring the deployment of both sides, is replaced by the 11-nation peacekeeping force now taking up positions in Sinai.

The governors — from South Yemen's Lahij province and North Yemen's Ibb province — also discussed issues concerning the border regions, the officials said. The local government of Ibb has one of the highest representations of the National Democratic Front, North Yemen's opposition group that is supported by the regime in Aden. In recent weeks, the front's forces have intensified border operations.

A Palestinian official, Abu Iyad, tried to mediate an end to the dispute early this month while Palestinian peacekeeping forces were deployed in attempts to separate the two sides, notably in the region of Ibb. But South Yemen Foreign Minister Saleh Muhammad recently denied the existence of any tension between the two Yemens.

Meanwhile, officials in Aden said that South Yemeni President Ali Nasser Muhammad Sunday ratified an accord for the joint exploitation of natural resources in the two Yemens.

VALETTA, (AFP) — A Libyan delegation has arrived here for talks on increased

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The plane, its ten passengers and the pilot returned to Iran and the hijackers were allowed to leave for a foreign country which offered them political exile.

Meanwhile residents of the city of Qom have demanded the execution of former Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh, who has

Court set up to try 'saboteurs' in Sudan

KHARTOUM, April 12 (Agencies) — A state security court was set up here Sunday for the trial of a number of persons, including two Libyans, on subversion charges, the official Sudanese news agency Sana reported Monday.

The main defendant in the case, 39-year-old Haidar Mahmoud Ali Jawhar, is a Sudanese who worked in Libya. Sana said he was arrested at Khartoum airport last month coming from Libya with weapons and explosives in his possession.

The court will also try the accused on charges of "planning to carry out hostile activities against Sudan and to prejudice the country's military and political situation," Sana said. Last month, 10 persons said to be members of the banned Sudanese Communist Party, were arrested on charges of smuggling and possessing arms and explosives. They were described by security officials as "Libyan agents trained in subversion by Soviet intelligence."

the agency said.

Meanwhile, Numeiri has appointed State Security Chief Maj. Omer Muhammad El-Tayeb to the office of first vice president, the Sudan News Agency Sana reported Monday.

El-Tayeb has been state security chief since August 1978, and said he would continue to hold that position. He formerly was vice president. He replaces Army Gen. Abdul-Magid Hamid Khalil who was dismissed from the jobs of first vice president and defense minister last January in the wake of nationwide riots against Numeiri's stringent austerity measures that led to a round of price increases.

Numeiri also dismissed the top leadership of the Sudanese Socialist Union, Sudan's only political party, saying it had failed to counter the riots with popular demonstrations. About 20 top army officers also were sacked.

The holder of the post, Sardar Shanawaz, has been appointed Pakistan's permanent representative at the United Nations. New York. Riaz Piracha, the secretary and third-in-command at the ministry, will go to New Delhi as ambassador. Piracha could be succeeded by Niaz Nai, currently Pakistan's ambassador at the U.N.

Shamsul Mulk, ambassador to Bonn, will move to Paris to succeed Ambassador Shahabzad Yaqub Khan, who has become foreign minister. He succeeded Aga Shah, who resigned two months ago for health reasons.

A ministry source said that *The Muslim* report was accurate, but that the government has so far not made them public.

Islamabad to repatriate Bengalish Biharis

ISLAMABAD, April 12 (AFP) — Pakistan has agreed to repatriate some 7,000 Biharis living in Bangladesh, Finance Minister Ghulam Ishaq Khan, said here Sunday.

Arrangements for their re-settlement have been finalized and the Biharis are to begin arriving next month, he told the Majlis-E-Shoora (advisory council) in reply to a question on the issue of the stranded Pakistanis.

The minister said that about 300,000 people, most of whom came from the Indian state of Bihar but who later settled in East Pakistan (now Bangladesh), had expressed a desire to settle in Pakistan following the 1971 war with India.

A tripartite agreement signed by India, Pakistan and Bangladesh in 1974 approved three categories to be repatriated from Bangladesh. They include persons who had permanent residence in Pakistan, government servants on duty in former East Pakistan, and divided families whose family head is in Pakistan.

Pakistan also agreed to repatriate up to 25,000 people considered "hardship cases"

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cooperation with Manila, led by undersecretary at the General Peoples Committee Ahmad El Murtadha.

PARIS, (R) — Iraq at war with Iran, has spent more than \$1 billion to ensure the safety and comfort of about 100 world leaders due to meet in Baghdad Sept. 6-10. Iraqi Deputy Premier Taha Aziz was quoted as saying in an interview with French-language magazine *Afrique Afrique*.

The mission had previously held separate talks with Velayati and Iraqi Foreign Minister Saadoun Hammadi during a nonaligned conference last week in Kuwait.

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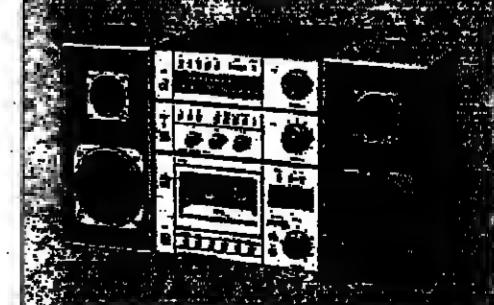
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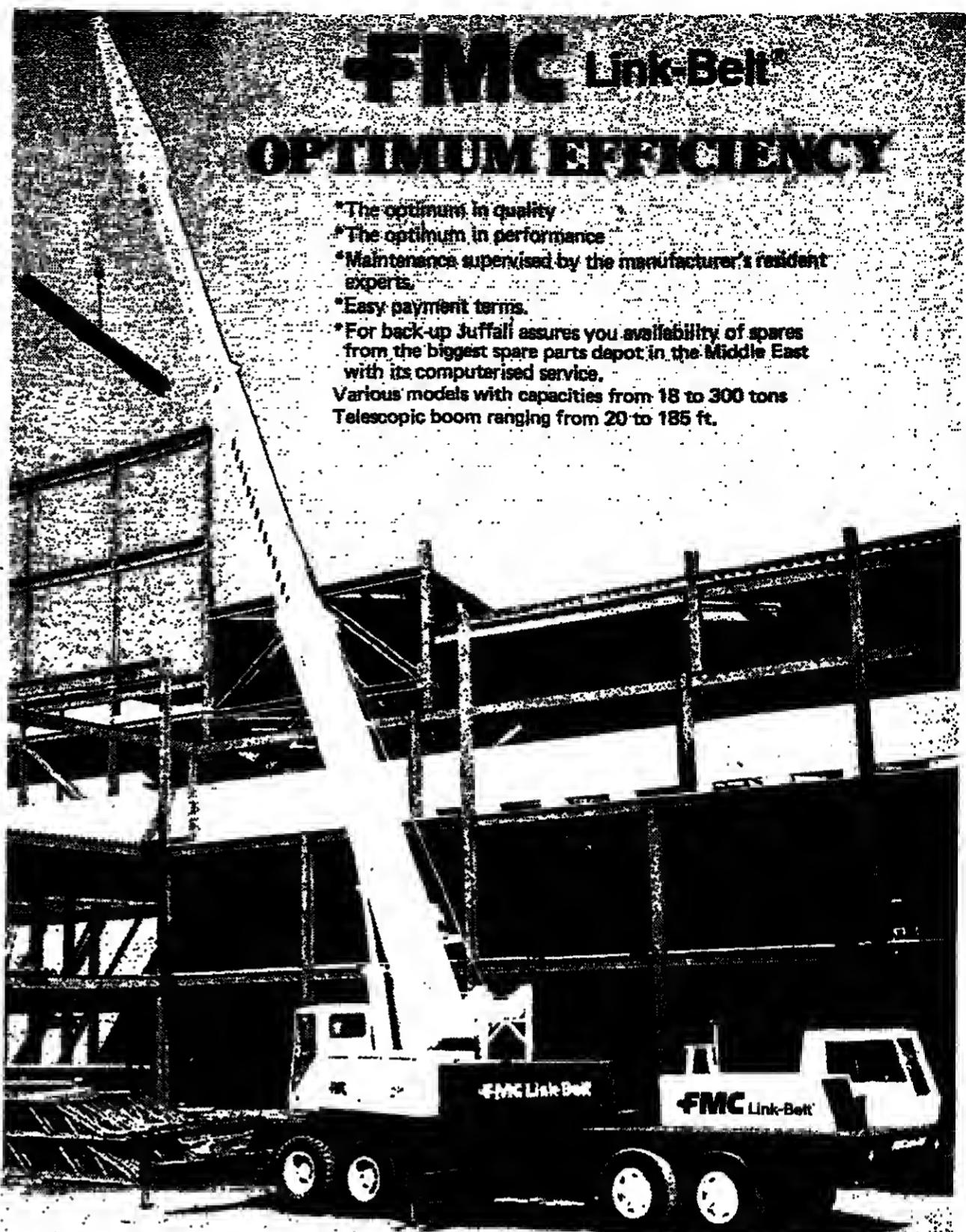


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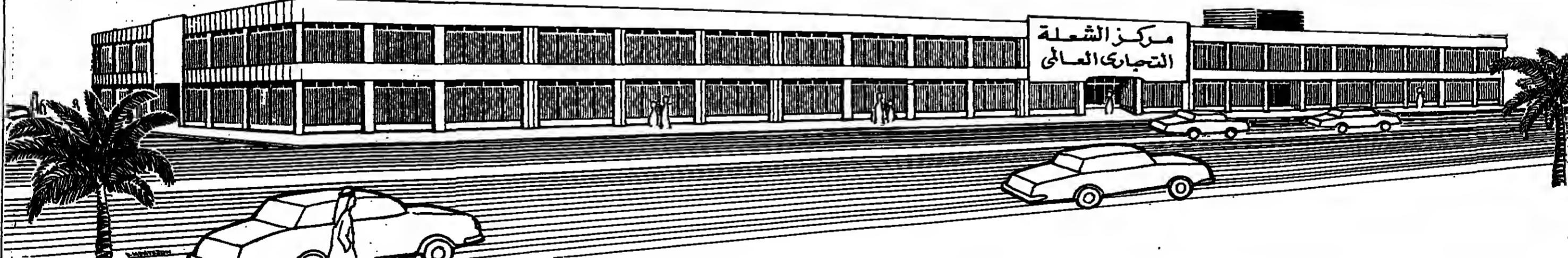


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Only hours after an Israeli regular soldier fired into a crowd of Palestinians in the holy mosque of Aqsa the U.S. State Department issued a statement in which it announced categorically that the soldier was deranged. This was deemed necessary by U.S. officials in order not to put too much blame on the Israeli military and government. A convenient way out to avoid condemning Israel.

Had the soldier been an Arab or any other nationality, he would have been labeled a criminal and his crime called heinous, but these words do not readily apply to Israel.

How did the U.S. government conclude so fast that the soldier was mad? It usually takes weeks and even months for qualified psychiatrists to determine if their patient is truly deranged. American law courts themselves give the defense or the prosecution all the time they need to decide if any of the guilty parties had diminished responsibility at the time of the commission of the crime on account of mental instability.

The U.S. government however, hastened to declare the criminal Israeli soldier a deranged person because he killed several Arabs and wounded scores of them in an orgy of murder which should have been called just if the U.S. government had any sense of justice and fair play and did not fear to arouse Begin's ire.

As has been said earlier the latest martyrs in the occupied lands will not be the last and the struggle will continue with renewed vigor each time an uprising occurs. In fact, the Palestinians in the occupied territories and what was Palestine before 1948 are winning the admiration of the world and the envy of those Arabs who cannot join them in their lonely struggle against the U.S.-supported might of Israel. Someday they will win the war against Israel just as the Vietnamese had won their liberation war against the staggering might of the U.S. itself. It may take time and thousands of martyrs but there is little doubt about who will win in the end.

Saudi Arabian press review

The Israeli threat to invade southern Lebanon with the purpose of uprooting the Palestinian resistance movement, and the Supreme Muslim Council's call for a seven-day general strike in the occupied Arab territories after a Jewish-American gunman killed two Arabs and wounded 30 persons were the main subjects for editorial comment in Monday's newspaper.

Al-Madinah said Sunday's incident near Al-Aqsa Mosque and Omar Mosque in the occupied territories clearly demonstrated Israeli provocations against the Muslims and Arabs.

The paper supported the call made by the Supreme Muslim Council for a general strike and said Palestinians would not remain indifferent to Zionist repressive acts. It urged the Arabs to formulate a joint Islamic action to defeat the repeated Jewish crimes.

Al-Riyad said Sunday's incident in Jerusalem showed that the Israeli had launched a fresh attack on the holy shrines inside.

the occupied Arab territories, following the annexation of Arab lands.

The paper deplored the use of an Arab and Islamic joint action in the face of Zionist criminal acts, which "were aimed at destroying Muslim holy shrines."

Al-Riyad described the incident as an outcome of hatred and envy of a fanatic Jew against Islam and the Arabs.

It urged the Arabs to initiate a defensive move to face a possible Israeli attack on southern Lebanon as a result of Israeli military buildup in the area.

Al-Madinah called for the isolation of Libyan leader Qaddafi's regime and the suspension of Libya's membership in all Islamic, Arab and international organizations and bodies. The paper expressed hope the Libyan people would be able to liberate themselves from "Qaddafi's misrule and a Communist ideology imposed on them." (SPA)

Nuclear freeze movement flourishes in U.S.

By Robert Cheshire and Peter Pringle

WASHINGTON —

When Ronald Reagan entered the ornate and gilded East Room at the White House recently to conduct his first prime-time television press conference, his urgent mission was to douse the political brush-fire of nuclear disarmament that has swept across the face of the United States with a speed and momentum unmatched in recent American history.

A nation that a year ago seemed content to back to the hilt a strong national defense policy, and with it the man who had made re-armament a major plank of his election campaign, is suddenly crying out for a nuclear "freeze" by both the Soviet Union and the United States.

What only seven weeks ago was wrongly interpreted by the U.S. administration to be booted up way out on the radical fringe in small town meetings is center-stage in Washington today, with a staggering 70 percent of the American people supporting the concept of an early freeze, despite the fact that their president argues that this would hand military superiority to the Russians on a plate.

In a rather hurried read statement, the commander-in-chief made his pitch — "twice in my lifetime I've seen the world plunged blindly into global war" ... "monstrous, inhumane weapons." Yet essentially Reagan had nothing new to say. He was totally rejecting the possibility of a freeze now at existing weapon levels, and, by asserting that the Soviet Union is ahead in nuclear weaponry, he underlined what he claims to be the need for the U.S. to begin building a new generation of strategic arms.

But the headlines next day said that the White House strategists had been hoping for: "Reagan calls for a dramatic slash in nuclear arms" and "Reagan asks Soviets to join in A-arms talks." The next few days will tell whether the press conference has done the long-term trick, and reassured the majority of Americans that Reagan is not leading them toward the nightmare of a nuclear holocaust, which has begun to prey on so many formerly unsusceptible minds.

It is now a major political problem self-inflicted on the administration first by its ideological refusal to have anything to do with SALT II — President Carter's aborted arms limitation treaty with the Russians — and secondly by a lack of sensitivity to the extraordinary emerging mood of America, brought about in large part by the administration's own rhetoric and its sometimes casual attitude toward such fearsome prospects as limited nuclear wars and warning nuclear shots.

When Senators Edward Kennedy and Mark Hatfield introduced their freeze resolution last month, Reagan's team, led by Secretary of State Alexander Haig, dismissed it as "dangerous" to the United States. Although Haig said that he shared the concern of the would-be freezers, the public perception was that peace was being rebuffed.

Instead of welcoming the motivation behind the swelling public mood, and reiterating Reagan's campaign pledge to get down to strategic arms limitation talks as quickly as possible, the U.S. administration continued to emphasize that the military buildup was their priority in order eventually to be able to negotiate from a position of strength. An administration that already scares some Europeans more than the Russians do, was beginning to terrify its own people.

Compelled to cast around for congressional support, the president turned to Henry "Scoop" Jackson, the 69-year-old senator, one-time presidential hopeful and veteran nuclear hawk. Jackson and former Republican navy undersecretary John Warner, now senator for Virginia, drafted a counter-resolution to the Kennedy-Hatfield proposal.

While essentially following the presidential line, it also called for a "freeze" at lower, but still levels of nuclear armament. It thus satisfied Reagan's immediate requirement of appearing to do something without budging from his fundamental position. More especially, it included the magic word "freeze" that had become the buzzword of the grass roots movement. "It's just a smokescreen for Ronald Reagan," grumbled a senior Democratic congressman, but it was a clever smokescreen.

In trying to shape Palestinian leadership to suit their own purposes, the Israelis are resorting to a time-honored technique of colonial powers. They might even entertain hopes of success were it not for one consideration: Israel's ultimate adversary is not only the Palestine Liberation Organization but Palestinian nationalism, which the PLO has come to embody.

If Israel is sincere in wanting to construct a viable, indigenous, moderate alternative to the PLO, then Israel will be willing to accept as the end result some form of Palestinian self-determination. This is a goal that the Begin government does not accept. And it is likely that every time a moderate Palestinian administration makes nationalist statements, it will be accused by the Israeli government of being tainted by the PLO.

This pattern is a familiar one. It is essentially the course followed by the French in Indochina. The French, remember, had their rule in Indochina broken by the Japanese during World War II. After the war was over, the French tried to reinstate their control for eight years, from 1946 until 1954. The core of Vietnamese resistance to French colonialism was the emergence of a nationalist movement, determined to bring self-determination to Vietnam.

The French recognized that they could not rule Vietnam directly. So they tried for eight years to find a Vietnamese government that would bend to French direction while retaining its ability to command popular support. Those two goals proved to be mutually exclusive. What the French found, instead, was that a Vietnamese government that did France's bidding did not have popular support, and that a government with popular support would not do what the French wanted. As a result, governments came and went in Vietnam like the change of seasons.

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THE LETTER'S

Satellite services in demand

Only a few nations can match Saudi Arabia's communication

Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH — When a father in Saudi Arabia picks up his telephone and calls his son studying some 13,000 kilometers away in the United States, he will hear his son as clearly as if they were in the same room together. Yet while they speak, their voices are traveling over 70,000 kilometers—from Saudi Arabia far out into space and back to America. This amazing operation—which would have been unthinkable only 40 years ago—is now a commonplace occurrence, and Saudi Arabia is one of the world's leaders in its use. This is the age of the space satellite.

Saudi Arabia today has the world's fastest-growing telecommunications network, serving over 600,000 citizens daily. Part of the reason for the Kingdom's rapid progress—covering in a few short years the development that other nations have taken a century to make—is the widespread use of space satellites. These satellites allow remote communities to be immediately connected to Saudi Telephone's extensive network, speed the flow of regular telecommunications channels, and permit Saudi Arabia to be "wired in" to the global electronic community.

Rabea Sadik Dahan, head of the Saudi Arabian delegation at the upcoming INTELSAT Conference in Paris, emphasized the Kingdom's interest in satellites: "INTELSAT and ARABSAT are major benefits for Saudi Arabia and Saudi Telephone. We must train our Saudi managers and engineers in this new technology, and make our expertise known on the conference boards of the world's satellite organizations." Dahan is well versed in the advantages of this technology, which he has used extensively as Saudi Telephone's general manager—West Region.

Saudi Arabia presently takes advantage of two satellite programs: its own DOMSAT system, and the international INTELSAT network. When Dahan goes to Paris, he will be able to report to his peers of other nations on the remarkable progress that has been made by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The Kingdom is already the world's sixth largest user of the space segment of INTELSAT.

The INTELSAT network is a series of satellites relaying message traffic from their orbits high above the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans. The satellites are in geostationary orbit, which means that their movement around the earth is timed precisely to the spin of the earth itself; these satellites appear to be in a "fixed" position to an observer on earth. Among the many advantages of this kind of orbit is the fact that the Earth Stations do not have to move to track the satellite. The Earth stations can be small and inexpensive.

INTELSAT is an association of 105



Rabea Sadik Dahan

member countries; its satellite system currently handles about two-thirds of the world's trans-oceanic communications links. INTELSAT was formed in 1964, and within one year had its first satellite—Intelsat One, "Early Bird"—in orbit.

The world's first commercial communications satellite service started with its transmissions on June 28, 1965. Even though "Early Bird" could only handle 240 telephone calls or one television transmission, it increased the trans-Atlantic capacity by 50 percent!

"Early Bird" was only the beginning of today's sophisticated network. The first Intelsat II ("Bluebird") failed to reach orbit in 1966, but the second was successful the following January. Two were eventually placed over the Pacific and one over the Atlantic oceans. The first Intelsat III was lost in a launch accident, but by the end of the decade trans-oceanic demands were being met by a combination of Intelsats II, III, and—if necessary—"Early Bird".

The large Intelsat IV and IVa series have kept pace with the world-wide demand for more satellite circuits. Intelsat IV has a capacity for 4,000 circuits plus two TV transmissions; Intelsat IVa can relay 6,000 circuits. By March 1980, there were 12 operational INTELSAT satellites.

The newest generation of Intelsats is presently being launched: the first Intelsat V lifted off in December of 1981, linking the Americas with Europe and Africa. Intelsat V has a capacity for 12,000 telephone links; Intelsat Va can carry 15,000. But the market for telecommunications satellites is so large that—in 1986—an enormous satellite will be launched. Intelsat VI has a capacity for 40,000 telephone calls plus TV, and will be sent up in either the Space Shuttle or the European Ariane rocket.

Saudi Arabia leases satellite channels on three INTELSAT satellites, positioned over the Atlantic and Indian oceans. Some channels are leased for Saudi Arabia's DOMSAT program, which handles in-Kingdom communications. Other channels are leased on the Atlantic satellite, which covers the Kingdom's calls to western points. The Indian ocean satellite receives signals from the Kingdom destined for eastern points. The Kingdom has a total of three Earth Stations which handle international telecommunications traffic: two in Riyadh and one in Taif. The Riyadh stations broadcast to both the Atlantic and Indian Ocean satellites; the Taif station broadcasts to the Atlantic satellite. An additional Earth station is scheduled for completion in Jeddah in 1983. The Saudi Arabian Earth Stations are large by international standards; the Earth Station complex in Riyadh is one of the biggest in the world and has its own power station, a separate microwave link to downtown Riyadh, and has been designed for use with the powerful new Intelsat V satellites. The Riyadh Station that beams to the Indian Ocean satellite covers 20 international earth stations using a total of 199 channels. The Riyadh Atlantic Station covers eight international points with 456 channels. The Taif station handles 16 destinations—most in Europe—with 610 channels.

The Kingdom's rate of growth for satellite services demand has surpassed all expectations. There are now a total of 133 countries around the world that can be dialed directly to the satellite age.

from Saudi Arabia, providing citizens of the Kingdom with personal and commercial communications abilities that are matched by few other nations.

As a result of the Kingdom's high utilization rate of the INTELSAT system, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is now placed as an independent member of the Board of Directors on INTELSAT—position which is the sole privilege of the Kingdom throughout the Arab world. Saudi Arabia now controls a substantial percentage of INTELSAT shares. The Kingdom's rank, in fact, is second only to Japan among all the Asian and African countries. The interests of Saudi Arabia are looked after at the very highest levels of INTELSAT, and the Kingdom makes valuable contributions to INTELSAT planning and development by putting forward technical and administrative suggestions during meetings of the INTELSAT Board of Directors.

The Kingdom's DOMSAT network grew out of the need to bridge the gaps in the ground-based telephone network as work was proceeding on the massive Telephone Expansion Program. DOMSAT uses two INTELSAT transponders, one for television and one for 380 full telephone circuits. Eleven major cities in the Kingdom have been linked together by this network, which is one of the world's most sophisticated domestic satellite systems. The main advantage of the DOMSAT system is its ability to provide the entire country with telecommunications and broadcasting services which would otherwise not be available until the terrestrial network was finished. As land-based lines come into service, the DOMSAT Earth Stations can be re-located to other remote areas that are not yet served. The DOMSAT system is flexible and adaptable; enabling the Kingdom's telecommunications service to keep pace with the developing needs of the nation.

Riyadh is the master station in the DOMSAT network, and can link with all the other Earth Stations in the country. The complete status of all of the remote stations is constantly monitored, eliminating the need to keep a supervisor at all the sites. All of the Earth Stations are provided with 11-meter antenna dishes, high-power amplifiers and special signal conditioning equipment. Demand-Assigned-Multiple-Access computers regulate the flow of telecommunications traffic to the most efficient routing possible.

Ultimately, portions of the DOMSAT system could be used with the Kingdom's newest venture in space communications—the ambitious ARABSAT project.

ARABSAT was established in 1975; in deference to the leading role played by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in the formation of ARABSAT, the headquarters of the organization are in Riyadh. ARABSAT membership consists of 22 member countries of the Arab League. Sixty percent of the funding for the project has come from the Kingdom.

ARABSAT is designed to boost telecommunications in the Middle East, and will play a significant role in social, cultural and economic spheres by increasing the capacity of TV transmissions as well as telephone, tele and cable communications. The total ARABSAT project involves three satellites with 26 channels each, to provide 8,000 telephone circuits, seven TV channels, and one joint TV channel. These satellites will cost \$390-million and will be launched in 1983.

"ARABSAT will greatly speed telecommunications services between member nations," says Dahan, "and can help—through this fast relay of information—in the adoption of resolutions at all levels. The Ministry of PTT, through ARABSAT, will not only help citizens contact each other across the globe, but will help Governments communicate for better understanding and co-operation. The Government of Saudi Arabia is determined to get major advantages for all citizens through this transfer of technology."

Present forecasts suggest that world telecommunications demand will almost double between 1981 and 1985; Saudi Arabia, through its far-sighted planning policies in the Ministry of PTT, is well-placed to meet the challenge of the satellite age.

Nentron weapon discussions were started under the previous administration of President Valery Giscard D'Estaing.

In a television debate with Giscard during last year's presidential election campaign, Mitterrand rejected the need for neutron weapons.

Under French policy requiring total independence of decision in the use of nuclear weapons, the neutron warhead would raise problems because it would involve discussions with NATO allies.

"That is why I am not favorable to the neutron bomb," Mitterrand said at the time.

The French adopted an independent nuclear policy when President Charles De Gaulle pulled France out of the NATO integrated military command structure in 1966 while remaining a full member of the Atlantic Alliance.

Mitterrand's Socialist government stands for a "no war" policy but has continued to build up the nuclear deterrent force with new generation weapons. Britain is the only other West European country with its own nuclear force.

Some French strategists are against the neutron warhead on grounds that it would be used as a tactical weapon in highly localized warfare before strategic missiles are fired.

This concept, they argue, undermines the deterrent effect of massive retaliation.

But neutron supporters have been gaining ground in France, according to political and military commentators.

The defense council, a top-secret grouping of key cabinet ministers and service chiefs,



PRIORITY CUSTOMER: Motorists disappear from gas station lines when David McMillan and his 600 pound Bengal tiger "Bomby" come for a fill up. McMillan trained the tiger to ride in his motorcycle sidecar as part of his act at Circus World in Orlando, Florida.

Spy paid 'chicken feed'

Infamous Indonesian colonel took hydrographic maps to Soviet Union

JAKARTA (Depthnews)—A few months ago, Lt. Col. Johannes Batista Soesdaryanto's only claim to fame was that he had graduated from a University of Maryland hydrographic survey course. Today, Col. Soesdaryanto is famous—rather, infamous—more than he had bargained for. After five years of espionage, he was arrested and unmasked as the top Soviet spy in Indonesia.

Col. Soesdaryanto's arrest and the subsequent diplomatic crisis plunged Indonesian-Soviet relations to their lowest ebb.

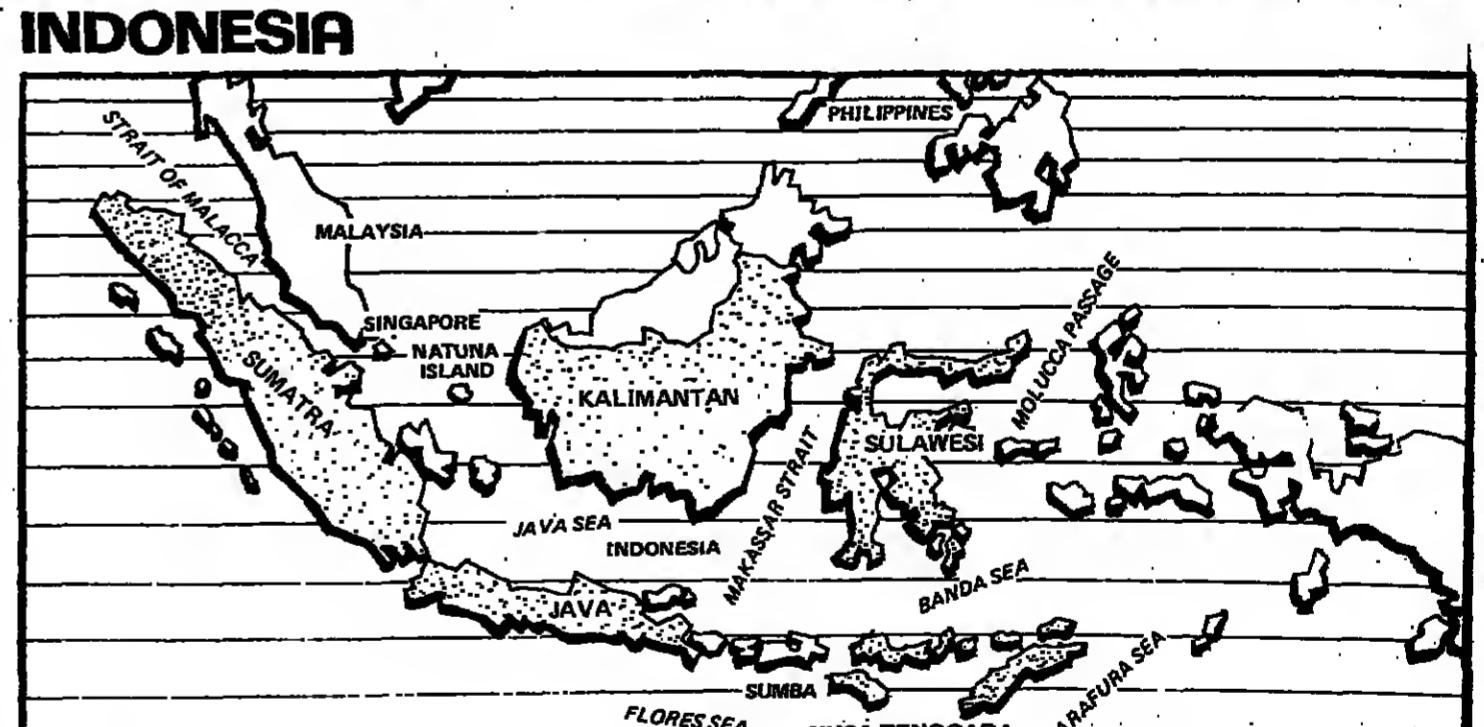
The story began in 1977 when Col. Soesdaryanto was working for the Indonesian Hydrographic Office in Jakarta. One day, a Soviet Embassy man called on him to buy some ordinary hydrographic survey maps.

It was a perfectly legitimate request. Anyway, most of the maps were available in Jakarta's bookshops. But the agent returned again and again. Later on, the agent gave him some extra money and told Col. Soesdaryanto to get "more useful maps."

The agent later turned out to be Alexander Finenko, branch manager of the Soviet Airline, Aeroflot. On Feb. 4, Finenko met Col. Soesdaryanto and introduced him to his replacement, Lt. Col. Sergei P. Egorov. Col. Egorov worked as the assistant military attaché at the Soviet Embassy, the largest foreign mission in Indonesia.

But while they met, Indonesian security agents swooped down and arrested them. Finenko, however, went into hiding while Col. Egorov was released after claiming diplomatic immunity.

INDONESIA



Motorcycle-riding packs of teenagers clash with squads of Japanese policemen

By Donald Kirk

TOKYO (LOS) — Japanese police are waging a tough, sometimes violent campaign to keep motorcycle-riding packs of teenagers from roaming through cities and towns throughout the country.

"It's very tough with the police," admits a member of the Black Emperors, largest of some 800 gangs of Bosozoku, literally "wild-riding tribe." They try to surround us from the front and the back so we can't go anywhere."

So successful are the police, say members of the Emperors, that they've had to break up into small groups for most of their rides and often career through distant suburbs rather than challenge the law downtown.

"The police throw us off our bikes and kick us," says a bike-rider as the Emperors prepare to roar off for a midnight fling with purple flags flying and rising sun symbols shining from their sleeves. "Two or three policemen sometimes hold a rope with a net in the center. The front riders go into the net like insects, and the others do a U-turn and escape."

To police superintendent Shoichi Matsuo, such tactics are all part of the daily campaign to annihilate the Bosozoku gangs, which now include some 40,000 members.

"The police are getting tougher," he admits, citing a law passed four years ago forbidding bike-riders from traveling in groups as one of the most powerful weapons for arresting them, "but many new members join each year."

Matsuo has a ready excuse for specific acts of violence cited by Bosozoku members. "It's illegal to beat them up," he says, "but sometimes they attack the police or run away, and then we have to subdue them."

Occasionally, he adds, the Bosozoku "throw Molotov cocktails or stones at police cars." It's their way to "show resentment against police patrols and let off frustrations," he says, "but we have to stop them."

One former member of the Black Emperors named Yoshimitsu Watanabe was sentenced to a year in a reformatory at the age of 17 for a series of fights with police. Now 22, he has won a measure of fame for a radio series about bike-riders, and is making a film documenting their activities.

"The message of the movie is to fight authority," says Watanabe. "They're trying in this way to make a new start in a society they hate. Each of them has a big feeling for bike riding. That's what I want to show."

A court recently dismissed a case in which a bike-rider taped a conversation that showed the police had falsified the evidence against him. Now bike-riders say police frisk them before even routine questioning to make sure they are not carrying tape recorders.

Police for their part say that controlling the bike-riders is one of their biggest problems in a society noted for its low crime rate.

Acid rains' effect on lakes, life worries scientists in Sweden, Norway

By Harald Mollerstrom

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — With 40,000 Swedish and Norwegian lakes dead and others dying from acid rain, scientists are worried about damage to other forms of life. One study estimated that acid rains in the 1970s reduced by 1 percent a year the yield from Sweden's woodlands, which produce one in every five of the country's export dollars.

Scientists suspect that acid rain is making trees less resistant to disease and pests, a possible explanation for extensive damage caused by insects in recent years.

"There are also possible adverse effects on human health from mercury and cadmium" in water exposed to acidification, said Dr. William Dickson, researcher of the Swedish Environmental Protection Board. "Fish that don't die because of the hazard become poisonous to predators that eat them, including humans — because of accumulations of such heavy metals in the fish's tissues."

A similar process takes place when soil is acidified, he said. "Cadmium and other heavy metals are released and enter food cha-

ries," Dickson said. "High concentrations have been found in most kidneys."

More also has been found in ground water sources and other drinking water sources in some parts of the country, high levels of aluminum and copper have been found in drinking water."

Although a British researcher identified the problem in the 1970s it was not until the late 1960s that a Swedish scientist identified acid precipitation as a serious threat to environment.

Dr. Svante Odens proved in a 1968 study that acids released into the air from Western industries having a serious impact on Swedish brooks and lakes.

Over most of Scandinavia the bedrock is acidic granite. It is covered with a soil layer so thin that it holds nothing to neutralize the acid.

Furthermore, roughly half the precipitation falls as snow, which accumulates, meaning the pollutants build up during the winter months. They wash out with the first melt, producing a sudden peak of acidity in lakes and rivers in the spring that coincides with the hatching and spawning of fish.

With public feeling about acid rain running

high in Sweden and Norway, their governments have tackled the problems vigorously and launched a million-dollar research program to trace the exact origin of pollutants, and Sweden imposed in the last few years strict new environmental rules.

They reduced sulphurous fallout from Swedish industry to less than 500,000 tons last year, from 700,000 tons in 1975, but the environment receives a similar dose of sulphur from foreign sources.

Swedish authorities place their hopes in a convention on long-range trans-boundary air pollution with a constitution drafted in 1979.

The convention calls for the halt of non-purified discharges of sulphur in the 31 member states of the Economic Commission for Europe, which includes the United States and Canada. But the United States and 12 other nations have ratified the convention, 11 short of the 24 necessary to put it into force.

"We expect the 10 members of the European Economic Community to sign by this spring or early summer," said Bo Assarsson, an official of the Swedish Ministry of Agriculture. "We expect no problem to get another signature" needed for ratification.

When to Retire



Dear Dr. Steinrohn: When is a good time to retire? I am a successful businessman of 48. Lately, I've been thinking — for the first time — of quitting.

I look forward to playing golf during the week, lying on the beach, reading, relaxing. My wife tells me I'm too young for retirement. What do you think? — Mr. T.

Dear Mr. T.: I'm all for it at any age — but it has to be the right age for the right person.

You say you've been thinking about it lately. Perhaps that's not enough. Ideally, retirement should be prepared for years before the actual quitting time.

One should be physically, mentally, emotionally and (last, but not least) financially prepared for enduring the early vacuum of retirement.

It is a drastic change if you're not prepared for it. It may not be so easy for you to change to a life of daily golf and becoming a beach-comber, Mr. T.

I recall a patient of 46 who asked me a similar question: Is it too early for me to retire? I was able to answer, unequivocally, "In your case, it's okay."

Why did I say so? I knew he was physically well enough to take up his lasting hobby of silver collecting. For years, he had built a reputation as a judge of silver ornaments.

I knew he was financially secure. I knew he was emotionally well prepared for the change from active executive in his firm to consultant expert in silver — which would take him all over the country to lecture.

Succeeding years proved that retirement was not too early for him. At the age of 71, he was still active after a quarter century of retirement.

Having prepared for it, there was no question that age 46 was not too early to leave his business. He was a happy man who did not die

By Peter J.
Steinrohn
M.D., F.A.C.P.

prematurely — as many are supposed to do who retire early. He had the effective antidote for chronic boredom.

MEDICAL ETTERS

(Replies to and from readers):

For Mr. E.: In spite of not believing in statistics, as a two-pack-a-day smoker, I believe you should at least take a passing glance at the following.

According to a recent Royal College of Physicians report, *Smoking On Health*, they found that one in three cigarette smokers die as a result of smoking and that, on average, each cigarette smoked, shortens the life of the smoker by five and a half minutes.

Those who smoke 25 or more cigarettes a day at the age of 35, and continue to do so, stand a one in five chance of dying as a result of the age of 65.

Smoking is risky, Mr. E? Of course. Yet, some 20 million people in Britain continue to smoke. Seventy percent of them have tried to stop but only one in four succeeds in stopping permanently before age 60.

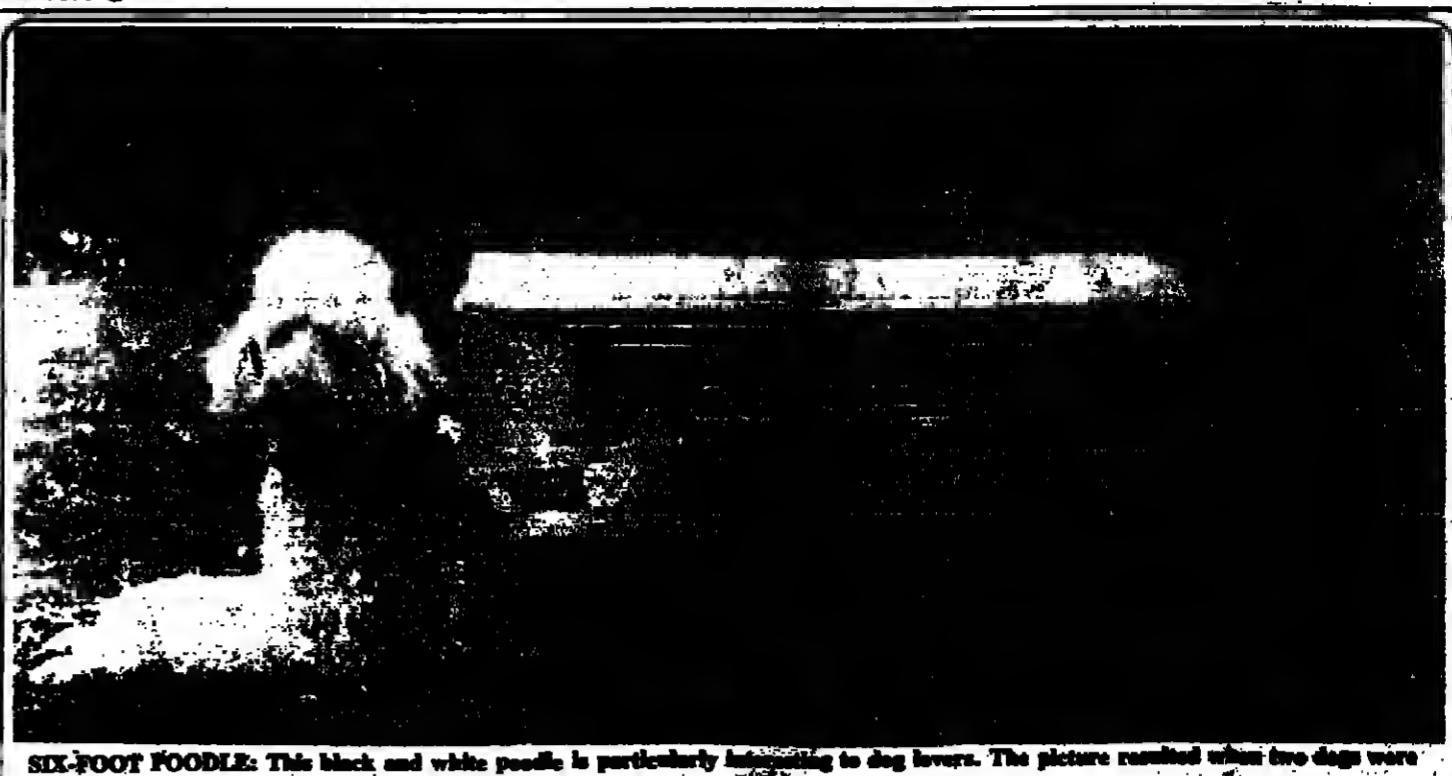
Thought you'd like to know, Mr. E, that our British cousins also have their problems with nicotine dependence.

For Mrs. U.: Migraine headaches often decrease in number and intensity after middle age. There may be a family history of such headaches.

But it's not true that most sufferers are rigid perfectionists. I have observed migraine patients who were, by nature, phlegmatic and relaxed. It was difficult to determine what brought on the attacks.

Some claimed that change in barometric pressure and weather were factors. Others said that an attack would come on after loss of sleep and extreme fatigue. Cheeses and monosodium glutamate were also depicted as the villains behind their attacks.

Tomorrow: Depression in the elderly



SIX-FOOT FOODIE: This black and white poodle is particularly interesting to dog lovers. The picture resulted when two dogs were playing around an old cardboard box.

Using traditional medicine

Chinese clinics will be established soon, patients treated with herbal, food tonics

By Wei Wen

BEIJING (Depthnews) — Medical practices in China's imperial courts, long a mystery to commoners, are about to be publicly revealed for the first time. Researchers from the Academy of Traditional Chinese Medicine and China No. 1 Historical Archives first started to dig in mid-1980 at the medical archives of the Qing Dynasty (1644-1911). After 18 months, preliminary results of the study will be tested at a special clinic to be set up this year by the Academy.

Tests will be conducted on patients willing to be treated in traditional Chinese medicine. This approach stresses diagnosis and treatment based on an overall analysis of the illness in relation to a patient's "concrete conditions" (environment, lifestyle, etc.).

Production is also planned of some of the drugs described in the ancient documents used in court to treat heart troubles, digestive disorders, respiratory diseases and chronic illnesses of the aged.

The archives, consisting of papers and pamphlets amounting to some 40,000 documents, are considered very valuable. Says Dr. Chen Ke-jie, head of the research group doing the study: "The findings will be of great significance in studying the legacy of traditional Chinese medicine, the court medicine of the Qing Dynasty representing the highest level of the period. The court had the best physicians serving the emperors and their families."

The literature under study includes case

histories of emperors, empresses, imperial concubines and high-ranking officials. Also being studied are physicians' prescriptions, royal pharmacy and kitchen records and imperial diaries.

A book based on the research — the first of its kind in Chinese medical history — is planned for publication this year and will emphasize the archives of Empress Dowager Ci Xi and her nephew Emperor Guang Xu. Both were in power near the end of the Qing Dynasty and were on opposing sides of a movement to reform society at the end of the 19th century.

Because of this conflict, historians believe Guang Xu was poisoned; in 1908 by his aunt, who died a few days later. Through investigating records of the time, however, researchers believe the emperor died of tuberculosis.

That contradiction of the murder theory is just one of the discoveries made by the researchers who have learned much about the medicine of the past. For example, the principle of Chinese medicine and its four standard methods of diagnosis — looking, listening, questioning and feeling pulse — are dealt with in detail in the literature. Predominating in the therapies is the prevention of old age, a subject attracting people for centuries.

About 100 varieties of tonics, in addition to food therapies were used by the Qing court. The main purpose of those treatments was to strengthen the functions of the spleen and kidneys, and increase the qi or vital energy, and blood circulation. According to the theory of Chinese medicine, all ailments are due to derangements of internal organs. Therefore, it is important to achieve harmony among the organs.

A typical prescription of food tonics found in the archives for Emperor Guang Xu reads: "Six ounces of beef, with skin, membrane and tendon removed; 0.5 ounces of raw ginger; steam them in a porcelain pot; and salt, sugar and powdered pepper; take one cup of the soup before noon."

"(Also take) a sheep tripe; five chicken gizzards; five Sichuan prickley ash seeds; three anise seeds; 0.5 ounce of liver (a type of seaweed); steam them in the same way and add ingredients mentioned above; take soup in the afternoon." The former remedy helps strengthen the liver and kidneys, the latter, stomach."

Sheng Mai San (pulse-producing powder) is another medication described in the documents. Who an emperor was dying, the best physicians of the Tai-Yi-Yuan (Imperial College of Physicians) in Beijing and of various provinces were summoned. The last pages of the case histories of some emperors and their family members revealed that Sheng Mai San was invariably used as a means of resuscitation.

With ginseng, maidone (tuber of the lilyturf) and wuweizi (fruit of Chinese magnolia vine) as the main ingredients, the remedy failed to bring the patient back to life.

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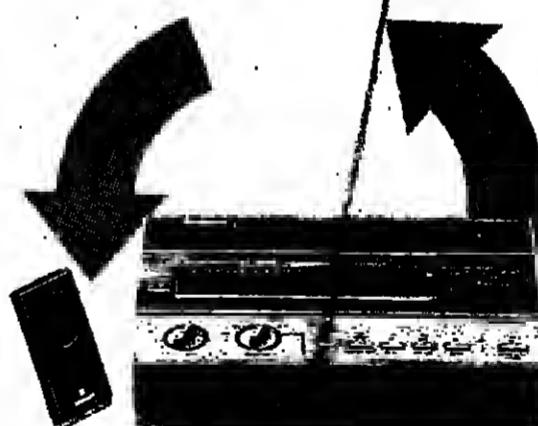
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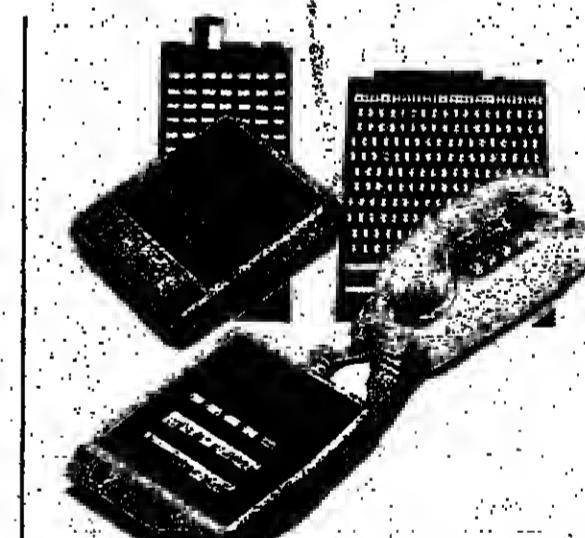
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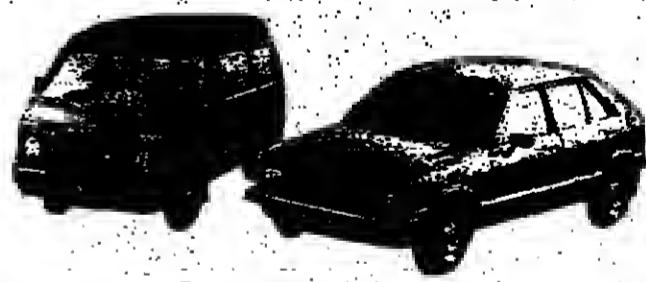
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Japan records \$9b trade gain

TOKYO, April 12 (AP) — Japan had a trade surplus of \$9.224 billion in the fiscal year ending in March 1982, the finance ministry said Monday.

It was the third largest surplus in history and up from a \$5.9 billion deficit in fiscal 1980, the ministry said.

It was the first overall trade surplus in three years for Japan, which pays a heavy price in oil and other natural resource purchases while building up trade advantages with the United States and Europe on manufactured goods exports.

In fiscal year 1979 Japan was \$5 billion in the red.

According to the finance ministry figures, trade surpluses with the United States and the 10-nation European Economic Community hit all-time highs of \$14.4 and \$10.2 billion respectively. At the same time Japan's exports fell \$24.3 billion short of its imports from Middle East, almost entirely oil.

Overall exports rose 10.1 percent to \$151.937 billion, while imports fell by 0.9 percent during the year to \$142.713 billion.

In March, Japan's imports and exports both continued to decline last month, but the overall trade balance increased in its favor.

The finance ministry said the balance of trade surplus of goods passing through customs in March jumped to \$860.34 million, nearly three times the February surplus, but it was still below a surplus of over \$1 billion a year earlier.

The latest figure followed a 3.6 percent drop in exports, on a free-on-board (FOB)

basis, and a slightly smaller 2.5 percent easing in Japanese imports, on a cost, insurance, freight (CIF) basis. The declines follow lower demand both at home, which helps bring down Japan's huge oil bill, and overseas, particularly in the West, resulting in fewer purchases of Japanese goods, ministry officials said.

For the entire fiscal year, exports of steel totaled \$17.105 billion, up 9.4 percent from fiscal 1980, while vehicle exports reached \$25.8 billion, up 2.3 percent.

Reflecting restraints imposed on Japan's automakers, auto shipments to the United States were down 7.5 percent to 1,773 million units, while exports to the EEC dropped 15.3 percent to 716,000 units. Imports of

GENEVA, April 12 (R) — The United Nations begins drawing up guidelines this week to limit flags of convenience, which critics say disregards safety and labor laws and harms Third World shipping industries.

The 17-day meeting opening Tuesday will seek agreements on shipping, management, financing and identification as part of a future international pact to ban what is known in the trade as open registry shipping.

It comes at a time when one third of the world's supertankers are idle and when industrial states profiting from the freighters and tankers flying flags of convenience are expected to oppose any restrictions on them.

crude oil totaled \$52.519 billion, down 2.1 percent.

Japan's economic planning agency is considering a plan to create an international fund to buy grain from the U.S. and other developed nations to provide aid to poor countries, agency officials said Monday.

They said the plan has already been presented to agency director-general Toshio Komoto who is expected to bring it to a ministerial meeting of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris next month.

The officials said a large part of the proposed fund would be financed by Japan to help soothe trade friction with the West. They gave no details.

U.N. to curb free flag ships

The U.N. Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), host to the talks, estimates — 50 percent of the world's shipping tonnage sails under the flags of Liberia, Panama, Singapore or 12 other states which allow foreigners to register ships.

But almost three quarters of these ships are owned by firms in the United States, Greece, Hong Kong and Japan, UNCTAD says, and adds that they account for almost half the accidents on the high seas.

UNCTAD argues that flag of convenience is only a thinly-veiled way for shipping companies to avoid high registration fees, union agreements and government safety regulations.

Czechoslovakia's economy going downhill

PRAGUE, April 12 (AP) — Consumers here are finding it harder these days to live the Socialist-style good life as the nation's central planners are wrestling with a sluggish economy.

Although the Czechs and Slovaks, with an average monthly income equal to about \$269, are still better off than their Communist allies in Poland and Romania, "things are slowly going downhill," said one economist privately.

Price increases for gasoline and food in recent months mean fewer people are eating out and taking trips to the country, residents say.

In a popular restaurant a 20-minute drive outside Prague, one waiter said business had dropped by about 70 percent since the government increased the price of gasoline by 15 percent last October. High-grade gasoline costs the equivalent of about \$3.20 per gallon, or 84 cents per liter. "We had 10 wedding receptions last March. This March we had one," said the waiter.

Judging by the "for sale" ads in some publications, many Prague residents are trying to sell their second homes or looking for something closer to the city. "Working in my garden in the country was how I worked

off the frustrations" of living in this tightly-controlled society, said one Prague resident. "Now it's getting harder to even do that."

Seeds for tulips, hyacinths and climbing beans are said to be among the short-supply items along with staples such as good-quality cheese, and butter.

Sharp increases in food prices this year included a 41 percent average hike in the price of meat. Beef jumped from the equivalent of \$3.30 to \$5.50 per kilogram (2.2 pounds).

The meat price increases were seen as especially significant because Czechoslovakia has one of the world's highest per capita meat consumption rates.

Much of the belt-tightening stems from the government's determination not to go the way of Poland and Romania, which drove themselves in debt by borrowing for imports. Western sources put the nation's debt to the West at a modest \$7.5 billion, and authorities say an increase in borrowing is planned. In past years, "we had to import more fodder than was planned," said Zbynek Zima, an adviser in the government planning commission.

The nation is trying to become self-

sufficient in grain for food and animal fodder, he said. Meanwhile, shoppers are queuing up and paying more for favored cuts of meat.

A Western businessman who deals in cigarettes and other goods sold in special hard-currency shops said his business was off by about two-thirds in the past year — an indication that the average citizen has less Western money than before.

Even though the "tuzex" shops are ostensibly only for foreigners, Western suppliers say local residents make up the bulk of the market.

Although Czechoslovakia pays far below the world price for Soviet oil — the equivalent of about \$17 a barrel by some estimates — the price has increased nearly five-fold in the past ten years and the volume of imports has nearly doubled.

"We had a growth of 85 percent in crude oil consumption over the past 10 years," said Zima. "No economy can sustain a growth of this magnitude."

He cited an ambitious nuclear energy program that should be producing 20 percent of all Czechoslovakia's electrical power by 1985, if all goes according to plan.

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OPEC panel postpones meeting

By J.H. Hammond

ABU DHABI, April 12 (R) — An OPEC watchdog committee has postponed until early May a meeting that would have discussed oil company pressure on Nigeria to cut its price, OPEC President Mana Said Al-Oteiba said Monday.

Dr. Oteiba, the United Arab Emirates' oil minister, told the Emirates News Agency that the meeting scheduled for April 20 had been postponed, but he did not give any reason for the delay.

Nigeria has been under pressure from some companies who say its price of \$35.50 a barrel is high compared with similar British North Sea oil at \$31 and OPEC (the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) fears that a Nigerian surrender could send all oil prices tumbling.

In another development, the Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) said the bulk of the cutback in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) oil output ceiling agreed at OPEC's March 19 and 20 emergency meeting in Vienna falls on Abu Dhabi's offshore Zakum field.

It said the Abu Dhabi allowable reduction ceiling was cut by 200,000 barrels per day (bpd) from April 1, including a cut of 185,000 bpd at Zakum leaving that field's ceiling at 50,000 bpd.

NAIROBI, April 12 (AFP) — A long-smoldering scandal, involving the Indian government-owned Bank of Baroda here, has renewed a touchy debate about Kenya's Asian community and its key role in the country's business life.

The scandal — which has touched on the bank's management, the employees and their trade union — has been seething for the past five months. Persistent industrial problems prompted Labor Minister Ali-Akbar Velayati to tell Tehran radio at the end of two-day visit to Iran by a seven-man South Yemeni delegation that the agreement ensured the expansion of economic and political ties.

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Japan know-how for U.S. car firm

TOKYO, April 12 (AFP) — Mitsubishi Motors Corporation said Monday it will provide information on controlling parts inventories and production, using industrial robots, to Chrysler Corporation of the United States under an agreement between the two companies.

Mitsubishi said this was the first of a series cooperative efforts by the two companies under a productivity and product viability deal signed last week.

Through the procedure, known as an inline sequence system, Chrysler is expected to streamline its parts storage system and improve its system of controlling parts and assembled cars, the firm said.

More recently, assistant Economic Planning and Development Minister Martin

Mitterrand leaves for Tokyo today

PARIS, April 12 (AFP) — President Francois Mitterrand leaves here on a four-day state visit to Japan Tuesday, with the twin aim of wooing Japanese political strategists and persuading economists to set rules to redress a perceived wide imbalance in trade between the two countries.

Japan, along with West Germany, was long dismissed as an economic giant but a political dwarf. Today, because of its staggering commercial expansion, Japan has grown into a world power with a decisive role in global affairs.

Between April 14 and 18, Mitterrand will take the opportunity of the first visit ever to Japan by a French head of state, to stress with Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki the similarities between France and Japan: Membership of the Western political and economic sphere and comparable status and size.

Japanese industrial strength exerts a determining influence in the Far East, from Korea to southeast Asia, including China. France plays a comparable role toward certain Arab and African countries.

Paris officials believe in the triangular relationship linking Japan to Europe and the United States. These similarities should weigh in favor of more compatibility in economic and political matters, observers here said.

Both countries also occupy a central role in the North-South dialogue between industrialized countries and the Third World. French officials said the Japanese

As Maxwell strikes form

Celtics turn tables on 76ers

NEW YORK, April 12 (AP) — The Boston Celtics wanted to get Cedric Maxwell involved in the offense, and the Philadelphia 76ers hoped to do the same with Darryl Dawkins. While Maxwell got hot, Dawkins just got in hot water.

Maxwell scored 17 of his 25 points in the third quarter, turning a 13-point halftime deficit into a 31-31 tie, and the Celtics went on to post a 110-109 overtime victory over the 76ers Sunday. Larry Bird scored the game-winning field goal with 55 seconds left in overtime as the Celtics ended the season series against their National Basketball Association archrival with a 4-2 edge. It was the first time in three years the two teams didn't split their six games.

Meanwhile, Dawkins scored two points on 1-for-7 shooting from the field, prompting 76ers coach Billy Cunningham to say, "Darnit! Dawkins better get going more or we'll have to let him take the summer off." The powerful Philadelphia center has struggled for most of the 12 games he's played since missing seven weeks with a broken leg.

In other NBA games, San Antonio stopped Kansas City 126-121, Dallas upset Houston 109-97, Atlanta bombed Chicago 108-89, Detroit beat New York 97-89, Los Angeles nipped Seattle 107-104, and Portland topped Golden State 116-106 in overtime.

"We turned it around in the third quarter when Maxwell got hot and we turned the ball over to him," said Bird, who finished with 20 points. "He was so hot in the third quarter that we just called his number and got the ball to him," said Boston coach Bill Fitch. "I've been trying to get more involved in scoring

more points," Maxwell said.

After the Celtics caught up late in the third quarter, the lead changed hands 15 times until Bird's winning basket. Boston raced to a 108-103 lead in overtime, on a field goal and a three-point goal by Chris Ford and a basket by Maxwell, but the 76ers scored the next six points, four of them on baskets by Maurice Cheeks, for a 109-108 lead. The 76ers couldn't take advantage of several chances to regain the edge after Bird's basket made it 110-109. Julius Erving scored 31 points for Philadelphia, while Lionel Hollins added 24.

Lakers 107, Supersonics 104: Bob McAdoo hit two free throws with eight seconds to play to boost Los Angeles to the Pacific Division championship. The Lakers, 54-24, hold a four-game lead over the Sonics with four games remaining. Los Angeles wins the division title because it can finish no worse than tied in overall record with Seattle and the Lakers won the season series 4-2 over Seattle. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar led Lakers with 33 points. Norm Nixon added 20. Jack Sikma led the Sonics with 26 points and Fred Brown had 23.

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Mavericks 109, Rockets 97: Jay Vincent has 24 points and center Wayne Cooper scored 20 points and rebounded NBA leader Moses Malone to lift Dallas over Houston. Cooper had 16 rebounds to 10 for Malone, who scored 26 points, as the Mavericks won their second straight game over a team fighting to make the playoffs. They beat Phoenix on Friday.

Bulls 108, Hawks 89: Dan Roundfield scored 21 points and John Drew added 19 as Atlanta tied New Jersey for fifth place in the Eastern Conference by whipping Chicago.

The triumph was the Hawks' 11th in 15 games and reduced to two the combination of Atlanta or New Jersey victories and Detroit losses needed for both teams to clinch a playoff berth. All three teams have four games left.

Pistons 97, Knicks 89: Kelly Tripucka scored 22 points and John Long added 18 as Detroit kept its faint hopes alive by beating New York. The Pistons never trailed in the second half after 17 lead changes in the first two periods. The Knicks made the game interesting in the fourth period with a 17-2 run that cut a big Detroit lead to five points.

Blazers 116, Warriors 106: Billy Ray Bates came off the bench in the last three minutes of overtime to score eight points for Portland which won its fourth straight and moved to 2½ games behind Phoenix and two behind Golden State in the race for the sixth and final Western Conference playoff spot. The Warriors had two chances to win the game in regulation, missing two shots in the last 24 seconds. Jim Paxson led the Blazers with 24 points and seven assists.

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India out to regain Asiad football glory

NEW DELHI, April 12 (PTI) — What are India's chances in football at the Asian Games in New Delhi? Can India repeat its gold medal-winning performance at the inaugural Game in New Delhi in 1951 and again in Jakarta in 1962?

These are the questions uppermost in the minds of the millions of football lovers in the country. While not even the most optimistic India supporters, including the bosses of the All-India Football Federation, will claim that India has a definite chance of the gold medal, their hopes have been raised somewhat by the country's spirited showing in the inaugural Jawaharlal Nehru Gold Cup tournament in Calcutta.

India was never given any chance of reaching the final of this six-nation tournament, particularly after the mediocre fare dished out by the country's leading footballers at the 38th National Football Championship which concluded at Trichur on January 31. Even the draw India earned against China and South Korea, the other Asian countries in the tournament and leading contenders for the Asian Games gold medal, were rather unexpected.

Knowledgeable observers of the game feel that the AIFF's move in picking 29 'national players' after the Nationals, barring them from local tournaments, and putting them through a program of intensive coaching in preparation for the Games has already begun to pay dividends.

The AIFF has succeeded in securing the

services of Mr. Dietmar Feiffer of the German Democratic Republic to coach the team. Feiffer has been designated Director of Coaching (Foreign) and took charge of the team to prepare it for the Nehru tournament. Mr. P.K. Banerjee, one of India's greatest footballers and a member of the gold medal-winning team of 1962, has been given the newly created post of National Coach, being elevated from acting chief coach. He as well as S.S. Hakin and Arun Ghosh, who have been named joint coaches, are assisting Feiffer.

However, both the coaches and the players will need to put in Herculean efforts if India is to have a chance of winning a medal at the Asian Games. Being the host country, India can have a reasonable hope of qualifying for the quarterfinal league at the Games, by being drawn in the comparatively easier group in the preliminary round matches.

India was perhaps the strongest football-playing country in Asia in the early fifties and demonstrated this by winning the First Asian Games football title at New Delhi in 1951. India repeated the performance at Jakarta in 1962, winning a historic victory in front of a hostile crowd.

But this victory was mainly due to a stroke of genius on the part of India's veteran coach, the late S.A. Rahim. Rahim ordered deep defender Jarnail Singh to play as a striker in that match, and it was Jarnail who scored the match-winning goal.

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It also remains to be seen whether the AIFF is able to enforce its decision not to allow the 29 'national players' chosen for coaching to take part in any tournament till the end of the Asian Games. Last year, too, a similar decision had been taken, but the AIFF beat a hasty retreat in the face of the pressure exerted by the powerful Calcutta clubs. Many of the top players ignored the AIFF directive.

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India needs imaginative coaches like Rahim today if the country is to arrest the steady decline in the standard of the game since the sixties. Although it has been served by several good coaches since then, many of them have been more a problem than a help in the task of building up a strong team. As an AIFF official admitted at Trichur, the coaches have been divided, not on coaching methods, but on some personal issues. This led to the resignation of one of the assistant coaches, Hakin.

But all is said to be well now between the AIFF and the coaches after the controlling body, following long hours of discussion at Trichur, evolved the formula under which P.K. Banerjee was designated National Coach and Hakin and Arun Ghosh were named joint coaches. Hakin quietly withdrew his resignation. But the fact remains that the post of the third joint coach under the AIFF's formula remains vacant. The AIFF has left it to its president, Mr. Ziauddin, to fill the post at a later date.

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For First Division honors

Crooks nets two to keep Spurs in the race

LONDON, April 12 (Agencies) — Garth Crooks hit two second half goals as Tottenham Hotspur won 3-1 away to local rival Arsenal Monday to maintain its challenge for the English First Division Soccer Championship.

Mike Hazard gave Tottenham a ninth minute lead at Highbury and Crooks then scored twice after the interval. John Hawley scored for Arsenal in the second half of a match watched by a crowd of 48,897.

Tottenham's first two goals both were created by Argentine international Ricardo Villa, who was booed by local fans every time he touched the ball.

The three top teams in the championship standings — Liverpool, Ipswich and Swansea — did not play Monday, but Manchester United moved into fourth place with a 1-0 victory over West Bromwich Albion at Old Trafford. Defender Kevin Moran scored the only goal in the 64th minute.

Tottenham moved into sixth place, behind Southampton, and trials leader Liverpool by nine points but has three matches in hand.

Aston Villa continued its move into a respectable league position, by defeating Brighton 3-0 at Villa Park. David Geddis (2) and defender Allan Evans were the goalscorers.

Wolverhampton eased its relegation worries by blitzing Manchester City 4-1 at Molineux. Andy Gray, Wayne Clarke, Kenny Hibbitt and Mel Eves all scored for Wolves in the first half. Bobby McDonald replied for City after half-time. It was Manchester City's sec-

ond straight humiliating defeat. John Pond's team lost 5-0 to Liverpool Saturday.

Striker Colin West boosted Sunderland's chances of avoiding relegation by scoring both goals in his team's 2-0 win over fellow demotion candidates Birmingham at Roker Park. West struck in the 200th and 44th minutes against a Birmingham team that has not won in its last 30 away matches.

Teenage striker Calvin Plummer scored the second half goal that gave Nottingham Forest victory in its local derby match at Notts County. Ian Bowyer gave Forest the lead only for Trevor Christie to level, but Plummer scored the winner.

Liverpool, who meet Stoke at home Tuesday, lead the table with 66 points, five more than second-placed Ipswich with Swansea another point adrift. Manchester City, one of the pre-season favorites for the title, slumped

to their second heavy defeat.

It was learnt that, Ipswich Town England internationals Paul Mariner and Terry Butcher are fit to return to first team action for the first time in over two months in Tuesday night's home match against West Ham. Both have been named in a 14-strong squad.

Butcher has not played first team football since he sustained a bad nose injury in a Cup tie at Luton on January 24. Mariner has not played since February 6, having undergone an Achilles operation. If, as expected, both play, then those likely to stand down are Kevin Stiegels and Mich D'Avray.

Kuwaitis leave for Lisbon

Meanwhile, Kuwait's national soccer team,

a World Cup finalist, left for Lisbon Sunday for a month-long camping and training

warm-up.

The Kuwaitis will play a number of games

with Portuguese and foreign teams in the course of their preparations for the World Cup finals in Spain. After Portugal, the Kuwaitis will proceed to Morocco for "four to five" matches with non-Moroccan teams, who will be visiting Morocco for this purpose, a spokesman for the Kuwait Soccer Association said.

The Kuwaitis' last triumph was in the Gulf Soccer Cup, held in the United Arab Emirates earlier this month. The Kuwaitis pocketed the Cup after the powerful Iraqi team withdrew.

Further preparations for the World Cup finals are to include matches with visiting top teams from Poland, the Netherlands and Czechoslovakia, the spokesman said. Kuwait, Britain, France and Czechoslovakia form one group in the Spain finals.

Fans run riot

Scores of soccer fans were injured and at least 25 cars were damaged when police fired tear gas to disperse stone-throwing crowds at a soccer match in Port Said Egypt Sunday.

The fans were protesting against a goal scored by the Zamalek club of Cairo playing in a First Division match against Al-Masri of Port Said.

Spanish strike off

In Madrid, the Spanish Foothallers' Association Monday called off a players' strike which started only Sunday, due to lack of support. In a statement, the association said it called off the strike after evaluating the participation in the stoppage.

To top Group 'A'

Shalimar coasts thru

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, April 12 — Shalimar finished with a clean slate in the Group 'A' of the P.S. 95 Cricket Tournament when it recorded a facile nine-wicket victory over Pak Jeddah last weekend.

The victory, which decided the group winner, gave Shalimar an easy semifinal opponent in Bank Jazira, while runner-up Pak Jeddah face Group 'B' winner Pak Saudi in the other semifinal clash, which are slated for the coming week. Both Shalimar and Pak Jeddah, had a two-win-no-loss record going into the game. And both were keen to win, not only to maintain a clean record, but also to avoid meeting Pak Saudi in the last four stage.

The spin of the coin favored Pak Jeddah. And that was the one of the few bright spots in their lackluster performance. The openers came to terms with the Shalimar attack and slowly and steadily built a base for the later batsmen to build a fine innings. But it was not to be. The batsmen, reduced to strokelessness by the accurate Shalimar attack, tried to beat themselves out of trouble against the slow

leg-spinners of Afaq. But instead found themselves slowly sinking into a mire. In the end they found themselves in a poor state at 114.

But the start which Sohal had provided belied the state of affairs which Pak Jeddah were forced into. The 31-run second-wicket stand with Patail and the 39-run third-wicket association with Abari (15) had put Pak Jeddah on a solid footing. Sohal became the first victim of strokelessness as he tried to lift Afaq. His contribution of 54 in the total of 86, at that stage, was the only other hallmark in the Pak Jeddah innings. Afaq finished with a magnificent haul of six for 28.

If Shalimar had dominated the morning, than the afternoon was no different. But it was the turn of the Shalimar batsmen to come to the fore. The openers Shafqat and Saleem cut loose on a mediocre Pak Jeddah attack. Shafqat, especially, was more forceful of the two. He cut delectably, drove elegantly and pulled and hooked delightfully all the easy offerings from Pak Jeddah. Saleem, reticent at the offset, opened out and stroked freely as the Shalimar coasted toward victory.

And just when it looked like these two would see Shalimar through, Shafqat fell to a lazy stroke. Caught in two minds to a straighter delivery, he saw his castle disturbed with Shalimar within sights of victory. He had made 67. Saleem was unbeaten on 39.

Winitsky shocked

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, April 12 (AP) — Tenth-seeded South African Danie Visser beat second-seeded Van Winitsky of the United States 6-4, 6-3 to win the \$25,000-South African Grand Prix Tennis Tournament at Ellis Park on Monday.

Visser, 20, who had beaten top seed Hank Pfister in the quarterfinals, took only 69 minutes to beat the 23-year-old Winitsky, ranked 35th in the world.

Winitsky won the \$4,500-first prize behind his big first serve. He dropped only three points while serving the first set. Both the left-handers lost their first service games in the final set, but Visser repeatedly passed Winitsky at the net for an easy victory.

Mehta's win sets mark in Kenyan Rally

NAIROBI, Kenya, April 12 (Agencies) — Local hero Shekar Mehta, driving for Nissan of Japan, won the 30th Kenyan Safari Rally on Monday — his fourth straight victory and record fifth in the five-day event held as the toughest Rally in the world.

Mehta's mud-spattered Datsun Violet GT pulled onto the finish ramp at the Kenyatta International Conference Center in downtown Nairobi at around 2:15 p.m. (1115 GMT) after a third-leg circuit of the jagged, snow-dusted peaks of Mount Kenya which began here at lunchtime Sunday.

West German driver Walter Rohrl, piloting an Ascona 400 for the Opel team of West Germany, was second onto the finish ramp; arriving shortly after Mehta to the cheers of the Monday holiday crowd in the Conference Center grounds.

Mehta and Rohrl were clearly the top two in the final standings. Rally officials said, but the full results were not immediately posted in the Nairobi control center. The rest of the cars in the sharply diminished field of around 20, out of an original 73, were expected to be straggling in all afternoon.

Mehta, a Nairobi millionaire who drives mostly as a pastime, first won the grueling Safari Rally in 1973 and then in 1979, 1980 and 1981 before Monday's victory.

The Mehta family, of Indian extraction, made a fortune with sugar cane plantations it used to hold in neighboring Uganda. Mehta, 36, was born in Uganda when it was still a British colony and holds a British passport.

As Mehta's Datsun came into the victor's circle after checking in at the last control point at the Kenyatta Center, Mehta sat on the hood, wearing a big grin under his bright red baseball cap. His navigator, local travel agent Mike Doughty, sat on the car's roof and waved as a member of the Nissan team steered the car through the throng.

As the lead cars arrived here, the last placings posted on the control center's board were from the control point at Kamiti, two short of the finish. At that control, Mehta was in the lead with 266 penalty points. Rohrl was second with 307 and Kenyan Mike Kirkland, driving a Datsun Silvia for Nissan, was third with 376 penalty points.

One front-runner, Rauno Aaltonen of Finland, blew the engine of his Opel Ascona 400 early Monday morning and had to retire from the 5,012-kilometer (3,133-mile) event, which began last Thursday and covered some of Kenya's most spectacular terrain.

Aaltonen, the early leader, had rear axle problems on the second of the three legs and had dropped to third place in the points table. He was piling on the pressure in the first half of the final leg around Mount Kenya when his engine gave him trouble.

Shekar Mehta said he could have been lucky four years running after his historic fifth, and fourth consecutive, win in the Safari Rally. "I know this Rally very well by now," he said. "I had some luck too, but that makes four years I've been lucky."

"After the first leg I was a little discouraged. We didn't know why our rear axles were breaking. But that was only the problem, we bad. I really have the car it takes to win an African Rally."

He said he found this year's Safari bolder than the last because of the strong challenge from Rothmans Opel. Runner-up Walter Rohrl of West Germany said: "The Safari is not really a tiring race even though it's a very risky one. This year road conditions were easier because of the good weather."

"I've earned more championship points, but nothing is over, because the Audi Quattro are a dangerous team." Audi did not enter the Safari event, fourth on the World Championship calendar, but will be back in the running for the Corsican Rally.

Via sudden-death

Stadler claims Masters

AUGUSTA, Georgia, April 12 (AP) — Craig Stadler, after blowing six-shot lead, won the 46th Masters Golf title in a sudden-death playoff Sunday by beating Dan Pohl with a routine par on the first extra hole.

The chunky Stadler and Pohl, a career non-winner, finished the regulation 72 holes with matching scores of 284, four strokes under par on the 6,905 yards of testing, rolling hills that make up the famed Augusta National Golf Club course.

Stadler, a front-runner over the first 17 holes of the final round, had a chance to win it outright but three-putted for a bogey on the 18th, setting up the playoff.

They went to the 10th, a 485-yard par-4 and possibly the toughest hole on the course. Both drove in the fairway. Stadler put his approach on the green, some 20-25 feet (6-7.6 meters) below the pin. Pohl missed the green to the right, in the fringe.

Pohl, who had come from deep, deep in the pack with closing rounds of 67 and 67, used his putter and left the first one about 6 feet short. Stadler, who was six strokes in front before he faltered badly on the last nine holes of regulation play, calmly ran his first putt up to within inches of the cup and tapped in for the par.

Pohl, who had one of the world's big four titles on the line, missed his par-putt while Stadler watched, leaning on his putter and betraying no hint of emotion as the ball slid by the cup and made him a winner.

Stadler, who had opened the day with a three-stroke lead, built that margin to an impressive six-shot advantage by the turn, then played the back nine in a fat 40; including the critical, 3-putt bogey on the final hole.

In another match, Brian Sutter's sixth and seventh playoff goals keyed a four-goal explosion in the opening period, powering the St. Louis Blues into the quarterfinals with an 8-2 triumph over the Winnipeg Jets.

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Sabres make exit

NEW YORK, April 12 (AP) — Terry O'Reilly, Mike Gillis and Peter McNab combined for four goals in the second period to break open a tie game and power the Boston Bruins to a 5-2 victory over Buffalo Sunday and eliminate the Sabres from the Stanley Cup playoffs.

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VICTOR: Craig Stadler, who suffered many anxious moments after blowing a six-shot to win the Masters Golf title Sunday.

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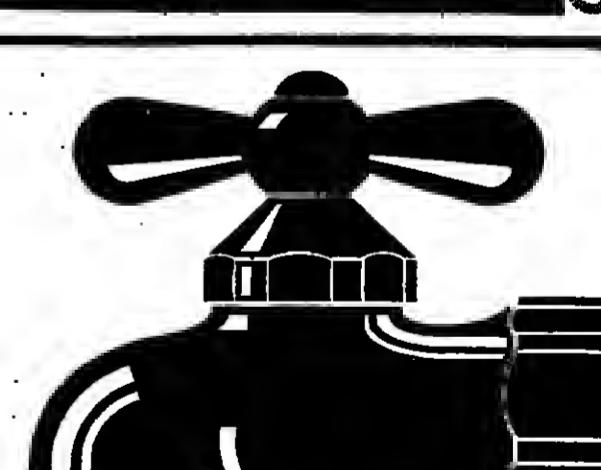
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As assembly set to meet

Salvador power lines wrecked

SAN SALVADOR, April 12 (R) — One-third of El Salvador was plunged into darkness Sunday night when left-wing guerrillas blew up electricity pylons in three of the country's provinces, military sources said Monday. The blackout had affected all of eastern El Salvador, the sources added. They gave no further details.

The military authorities said 17 guerrillas had been killed in an explosion in a leftist camp in Morazan province on El Salvador's border with Honduras. Survivors had fled leaving behind large quantities of weapons, the authorities added.

They said dynamite had caused the blast, but gave no details of the circumstances in which it exploded. The latest incidents in El Salvador's civil war, in which an estimated 33,000 persons have been killed in the last two years, came after a period of relative calm during the last few days.

Meanwhile, the country enters a decisive phase this week with the scheduled formation of the Constituent Assembly and a new government. The 60 deputies to the assembly elected last March by 1.5 million voters are to take their seats Tuesday.

The assembly's inauguration by President Napoleon Duarte will most probably take place the following day, so as to end as quickly as possible the political crisis created by the victory of the coalition of El Salvador's five extreme right parties over Duarte's right-of-center Christian Democrats. The left ran candidates in the election.

Indonesians ban magazine

JAKARTA, April 12 (AFP) — The Indonesian government has banned the influential magazine *Tempo* for security reasons as of Monday, an Information Ministry spokesman said. Information Minister Gen. Ali Murtopo has issued a decree suspending the magazine's publication permit on the grounds that the magazine has violated a consensus with the government by publishing news reports which could create unrest in the community, the spokesman added.

The weekly was blamed for its reports about the election campaign, including reports about the March 18 riots, incidents in Yogyakarta and solo and student disturbances at the University of Indonesia over the last week.

Tempo, the biggest news weekly here with a circulation of 90,000, has some 220 employees, including 120 journalists all over Indonesia. The weekly, reputed for its balanced analyses has published in-depth political stories since it was founded in 1971, and has never been banned before.

Sotelo arrives for Athens talks

ATHENS, April 12 (AP) — Spanish Premier Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo arrived Monday in a two-day official visit for talks with Greek officials on Spain's plans to join NATO and the European Economic Community (EEC).

Greek Premier Andreas Papandreou welcomed Calvo Sotelo and his foreign minister, Jose Pedro Perez Llorca, at Athens airport, a government spokesman said. The Spanish premier was then received by President Constantine Karamanlis, the spokesman said.

The two premiers were opening talks over a working lunch and were scheduled to hold another round of discussions Monday night. Government sources said talks would focus on Spain's application to join NATO and the EEC.

Greek dockers strike

ATHENS, April 12 (AFP) — Shipping at Piraeus, Greece's busiest port, was at a standstill Monday as 2,500 dockers began a three-day strike on wages and other issues.

The walkout followed a nine-day strike last Tuesday. A dockers' union spokesman said further talks with the Merchant Marine Ministry produced no settlement. The men are seeking a 32 percent pay rise and an increase of five percent, to 10 percent, in length of service bonuses.

The right wing is intent on taking over as fast as possible from the present four-man junta, brought to power by a military coup in October, 1979.

In the assembly, the five parties have 36 seats, and outside of the house have the support of a sixth right-wing party that was unable to participate in the election. Although still the biggest single political force in the assembly, the Christian Democrats will only control 24 seats. No comment was obtainable from the coalition about chances for a "government of national union" in which it would share power with the Christian Democrats, as desired by Washington.

There was no word forthcoming either in what shape the executive would take. Possibilities earlier suggested were a tandem of a civilian president flanked by a military vice president, a triumvirate of two military men and a civilian who would head it, and a four-man junta representing the Christian Democrats, the two front-running parties in the coalition and one armed forces representative.

Most often mentioned as possible presidents are Fidel Chavez Mena, the Christian Democratic foreign minister, and Rene Fortin Magana, leader of one of the coalition parties, Democratic Action. The most extremist of the right-wing leader, Major Robert d'Aubuisson, is the most probable candidate for speaker of the assembly.

Treated as animals

Stowaway narrates ordeal in Vietnam

NEW DELHI, April 12 (AFP) — A young Vietnamese nearly froze to death in a successful bid to escape Vietnam last week, when he stowed away in the cargo hold of a Lufthansa aircraft he thought was headed for Hong Kong and West Germany.

One of about 20 sub-escapes granted official refugee status here, Nguyen Quoc Cong, 22, was a soldier employed at Hanoi airport. Upon his arrival here, he said he dreamed of leading a free life and not being treated as "an animal."

On April 7, five hours after the plane took off, Cong arrived at New Delhi airport, unconscious and partly frozen. Speaking in Vietnamese, Cong described how he discovered that he had not quite escaped Vietnam after all.

"When I opened my eyes, two Vietnamese told me that my escapade would be pardoned if I said that I had been locked up in the plane unawares, and that I wanted to return to Vietnam. If not, I could be killed right here. I was extremely afraid. I almost said yes."

"Then two Indian policemen took me off to interrogate me. I understood that they were asking me whether I wanted to return to Vietnam or stay. As I speak English badly, I pointed to the plane and then passed my hand under my throat to make them understand what would await me if I

returned," he said. They understood, and alerted the authorities and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). Granted the status of a political refugee, he is currently staying at a Buddhist mission near New Delhi with the 20 or so other Indochinese who also took their chances as clandestine passengers on flights that passed through Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon.

They are now awaiting visas for resettlement in third countries. Giving his view of the world, Cong said, "there are free countries where one can earn one's living, eat away one's hunger and become rich."

"And there are the Socialist countries where one is deprived of freedom and food and where one can only work for the party." He regards France as a Socialist country like Vietnam, and does not want to go there. The United States, he said, would not want him because he was not an important person, did not speak English and never worked for an American company.

West Germany is the country he would like to call home. "The Lufthansa pilots are friendly and gave me their address. I also have a friend from Haiphong who has lived somewhere there for five years." Cong said he was in high school until the age of 17. His

father is a Communist Party official — the

ANKARA, April 12 (R) — Former Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit was released Monday after two days in military custody for alleged statements in the foreign press. Ecevit, 56, could still be charged with the same offense but a military judge ruled Monday that there was no sufficient evidence to warrant his continued detention, pending further investigation.

Conviction on such a charge would mean a minimum five-year jail term under Turkey's penal code. Ecevit, three times prime minister in the decade before the 1980 military coup, has already spent two months in jail for giving stories to the foreign press. He also faces trial on April 29 on a separate charge of writing an article last month in the West German magazine *Der Spiegel*, with a maxi-

mum nine-month term possible if convicted.

Ecevit's recent two-month jail term was for speaking to foreign reporters in defiance of a military decree banning public political statements by former political leaders. The trial pending over the *Der Spiegel* article is based on the same decree.

Monday's case, however, has been based not only on the decree but on an article in the penal code which forbids Turks from giving "false" information to foreigners which could jeopardize national security. Whereas the maximum penalty for violating the military decree is nine months, violation of the penal code article carries a minimum five-year sentence, with no maximum laid down.

Police visited Ecevit last Saturday morning, told him to pack a suitcase and took him to a military detention center. A martial law spokesman said he had been taken into custody pending possible charges in connection with recent remarks he was alleged to have made in a Norwegian newspaper.

No details of the Norwegian newspaper article were given here but Ecevit said he had given no interviews recently to Norwegian reporters, according to his lawyers.

A military judge questioned the former prime minister for 10 minutes Monday before deciding there was not enough evidence to keep him in custody, the lawyers said. The judge's decision was purely on the issue of custody and has no bearing on continuing martial law investigations into the Norwegian press article. Ecevit could, therefore, still be tried later, the lawyers said.

The organizers of the demonstrations estimate at 300,000 the number of pacifists who marched in West Germany over the holiday weekend to protest plans to station more U.S. nuclear weapons in West Germany. Observers here however believe the figure is exaggerated. In any event, the figure put out by police is considerably lower.

What is certain is that the marches did not make the considerable impression on public opinion as the rally last Oct. 10 in Bonn did, where more than 300,000 protesters assembled.

Elsewhere, an estimated 11,000 Swiss demonstrating in the eastern international peace march Monday crossed the Franco-Swiss frontier at Basel, Switzerland. They were to link up with French peace marchers at Hingue, France, and then with West German pacifists, before all three groups return to Basel for the closing ceremony.

In Moscow, the official Soviet news agency Tass Monday voiced strong support for Western pacifist movements in a commentary predicting an increase in "anti-militarist actions" in Europe and the United States.

"The movement for peace and against the danger of nuclear war which the aggressive policy of the United States poses for the world will without any doubt continue to grow under the slogan: 'Peace is Everybody's Business,'" Tass said.

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